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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

MONDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 1, 1855.

General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, began and held in the city of Nashville, State of Tennessee, on Monday the first day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five, it being the first session of the Fourteenth General Assembly of the State of Tennessee.

On which day, (it being the day fixed by the Constitution of Tennessee for the meeting of the General Assembly,) the following gentlemen appeared, produced their credentials, and took their seats; the oaths required by the Constitution being administered by the Hon. W. K. Turner, Judge of the Criminal Court at Nashville :

<i>From the connty of</i>	<i>Sullivan</i> —F. D. Massengill.
"	<i>Washington</i> —J. E. T. Harris.
"	<i>Greene</i> —Loyd Bullen.
"	<i>Hawkins</i> —John Ball.
"	<i>Cocke</i> —W. A. Campbell.
"	<i>Jefferson</i> —J. M. Meek.
"	<i>Grainger</i> —J. F. Carmichael.
"	<i>Claiborne</i> —B. F. Cloud.
"	<i>Knov</i> —Moses White.
"	<i>Blount</i> —W. B. Colburn.
"	<i>Monroe</i> —J. R. Rudd.
"	<i>Roane</i> —H. J. Welcker.
"	<i>McMinn</i> —J. C. Carlock.
"	<i>Bradley</i> —Eli Richey.
"	<i>Hamilton</i> —John C. Burch.
"	<i>Marion</i> —Joshua Easterly.
"	<i>Franklin</i> —T. W. Newman.
"	<i>Cannon</i> —Ed. J. Wood.
"	<i>Warren</i> —Thomas Mabry.
"	<i>White</i> —Thomas Snodgrass.
"	<i>Overton</i> —H. M. Colquet.
"	<i>Jackson</i> —J. C. Galbreath.

From the county of Smith—W. G. Ward.

- " *DeKalb—M. M. Brien.*
- " *Sumner—D. S. Donelson.*
- " *Rutherford—J. M. Tompkins.*
- " *Bedford—William Little.*
- " *Lincoln—E. S. N. Bobo.*
- " *Marshall—E. A. Wilson.*
- " *Williamson—E. C. Cook.*
- " *Robertson—E. A. Fort.*
- " *Montgomery—M. D. Davie.*
- " *Stewart—A. J. Shemwell.*
- " *Dickson—W. J. Mathis.*
- " *Hickman—Robertson Whiteside.*
- " *Maury—F. C. Dunnington.*
- " *Lawrence—G. H. Nixon.*
- " *Wayne—W. W. Pogue.*
- " *Hardin—B. G. Brazelton.*
- " *Henderson—M. J. Gallaway.*
- " *Carroll—J. W. Wilson.*
- " *Henry—W. E. Travis.*
- " *Weakley—N. Y. Cavitt.*
- " *Obion—B. L. Stovall.*
- " *Gibson—Smith Parks.*
- " *Madison—Hervey Brown.*
- " *McNairy—J. B. Smith.*
- " *Hardeman—R. H. Wood.*
- " *Fayette—W. B. Dortch.*
- " *Haywood—D. B. Thomas.*
- " *Davidson—N. S. Brown and L. M. Temple.*
- " *Wilson—Robert Hatton and J. F. Gleaves.*
- " *Shelby—G. C. Holmes and G. M. Bartlett.*
- " *Carter and Johnson—A. J. Tipton.*
- " *Greene, Hawkins, Hancock and Jefferson—Geo. Kinney.*
- " *Knox and Sevier—R. H. Armstrong.*
- " *Anderson and Campbell—William Wallace.*
- " *Scott, Morgan and Fentress—Myatt.*
- " *Polk, McMinn and Meigs—J. B. Cobb.*
- " *Rhea, Bledsoe and Hamilton—N. M. Pope.*
- " *Grundy, Coffee and Van Buren—A. Northcutt.*
- " *Smith, Sumner and Macon—W. H. DeWitt.*
- " *Davidson, Robertson and Montgomery—H. Cox.*
- " *Rutherford and Bedford—P. R. Runnels.*
- " *Lincoln, Marshall and Giles—H. N. Cowden.*
- " *Williamson, Maury and Lewis—A. M. Looney.*
- " *Benton and Humphreys—B. B. Gilbert.*
- " *Carroll, Gibson, Madison and Henry—J. B. Algee.*
- " *Dyer and Lauderdale—A. T. Fielder.*

On motion of Mr. G. H. Nixon,

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, was called to the Chair.

Prayer by the Rev. John Rains.

Mr. Bullen, of Greene, moved

That the rules of the last House of Representatives be adopted for the government of this, until its organization.

Mr. Nixon moved a call of the House.

On motion of Mr. N. Y. Cavitt,

The House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, in the Chair.

Mr. Brien, of DeKalb, moved a call of the House.

Mr. Watkins, of Giles, appeared and took his seat, the oath of office being administered by the Hon. W. B. Caruthers.

On motion of Mr. Hatton,

The House proceeded to the election of a Speaker.

Mr. Hatton, of Wilson, nominated

Neill S. Brown, of the county of Davidson.

Mr. Travis, of Henry, nominated

Daniel S. Donelson, of the county of Sumner.

The vote being then taken,

The following was the result :

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, and Wilson of Carroll—36.

For Mr. Donelson—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Ritchey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—35.

For Mr. Looney—

Mr. Brown, of Davidson—1.

For Mr. Nixon—

Mr. Donelson—1.

There being no election,

The House proceeded to vote the second time in said election, with the following result :

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll—36.

For Mr. Donelson—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—35.

For Mr. Looney—

Mr. Brown, of Davidson—1.

For Mr. Nixon—

Mr. Donelson—1.

There being no election,

The House proceeded to vote the third time in said election, with the following result :

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll—36.

For Mr. Donelson—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—35.

For Mr. Looney—

Mr. Brown, of Davidson—1.

For Mr. Nixon—

Mr. Donelson—1.

There being no election, the House proceeded to vote the fourth time, with the following result :

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little,

Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, and Wilson of Carroll—36.

For Mr. Donnelson—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—35.

For Mr. Looney—

Mr. Brown, of Davidson—1.

For Mr. Nixon—

Mr. Donelson—1.

There being no election, the House proceeded to vote the fifth time with the following result :

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, and Wilson of Carroll—36.

For Mr. Donelson—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquitt, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—35.

For Mr. Looney—

Mr. Brown, of Davidson—1.

For Mr. Nixon—

Mr. Donelson—1.

There being no election, the House proceeded to vote the sixth time, with the following result :

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, and Wilson of Carroll—36.

For Mr. Donelson—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis,

Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, Wood, of Hardeman—35.

For Mr. Looney—

Mr. Brown, of Davidson—1.

For Mr. Nixon—

Mr. Donelson—1.

There being no election, the House proceeded to vote the seventh time in said election, with the following result :

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown, of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Tomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson, of Carroll—36.

For Mr. Donelson—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, and Wood, of Hardeman—35.

For Mr. Looney—

Mr. Brown, of Davidson—1.

For Mr. Nixon—

Mr. Donelson—1.

There being no election, the House proceeded to vote the eighth time in said election, with the following result :

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown, of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson, of Carroll—36.

For Mr. Donelson—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, and Wood, of Hardeman—35.

For Mr. Looney—

Mr. Brown, of Davidson—1.

For Mr. Nixon—

Mr. Donelson—1.

There being no election, on motion,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

TUESDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 2, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, in the Chair.

The Journal of the preceding day being read,

Mr. Snodgrass moved a call of the House.

The House proceeded to vote the ninth time in the election of a Speaker, with the following result:

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown, of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson, of Carroll—36.

For Mr. Donelson—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, and Wood, of Hardeman—35.

For Mr. Looney—

Mr. Brown, of Davidson—1.

For Mr. Nixon—

Mr. Donelson—1.

There being no election, the House proceeded to vote the tenth time in said election, with the following result:

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown, of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson, of Carroll—35.

For Mr. Donelson—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, and Wood, of Hardeman—36.

For Mr. Looney—

Mr. Brown, of Davidson—1.

For Mr. Nixon—

Mr. Donelson—1.

There being no election, the House proceeded to vote the elev-

enth time in said election, with the following result :

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown, of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson, of Carrol—36.

For Mr. Donelson—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, and Wood, of Hardeman—36.

For Mr. Looney—

Mr. Brown, of Davidson—1.

For Mr. Travis—

Mr. Donelson—1.

There being no election, the House proceeded to vote the twelfth time in said election, with the following result :

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown, of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, White, Wilson, of Carroll—35.

For Mr. Donelson—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, and Wood, of Hardeman—35.

For Mr. Looney—

Messrs. Brien and Brown, of Davidson—2,

For Mr. Travis—

Mr. Donelson—1.

There being no election, the House proceeded to vote the thirteenth time in said election, with the following result :

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown, of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Looney, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson, of Carroll,—36.

For Mr. Donelson—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb,

Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, and Wood, of Hardeman—35.

For Mr. Looney—

Mr. Brown, of Davidson—1.

For Mr. Nixon—

Mr. Donelson—1.

There being no election, the House proceeded to vote the fourteenth time in said election, with the following result :

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown, of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snoodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson, of Carroll—36.

For Mr. Donelson—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, Wood, of Hardeman—35.

For Mr. Looney—

Mr. Brown, of Davidson—1.

For Mr. Nixon—

Mr. Donelson—1.

There being no election, the House proceeded to vote the fifteenth time in said election, with the following result :

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown, of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson, of Carroll—36.

For Mr. Donelson—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, Wood, of Hardeman—35.

For Mr. Holmes—

Mr. Brown, of Davidson—1.

For Mr. Nixon—

Mr. Donelson—1.

There being no election, the House proceeded to vote the sixteenth time, with the following result:

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown, of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson, of Carroll—36.

For Mr. Donelson—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, Wood, of Hardeman—35.

For Mr. Holmes—

Mr. Brown, of Davidson—1.

For Mr. Nixon—

Mr. Donelson—1.

The Speaker read a communication from the Secretary of the State Agricultural Society, inviting the members of the House to attend the Biennial State Fair.

Mr. Dortch, of Fayette, moved that the invitation be accepted, and that the House adjourn until to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock, that the members might have an opportunity to attend the Fair.

They ayes and noes being called for on said motion, the following gentlemen voted in the affirmative:

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown, of Davidson, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Colburn, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, and Wilson, of Carroll—36.

Negative—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Wallace, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, and Wood, of Hardeman—37.

The House refused to adjourn.

Mr. Brien, of DeKalb, moved that the House adjourn until to-morrow morning, 8 o'clock.

Mr. Harris, of Washington, called for the ayes and noes.

The following gentlemen voted in the affirmative:

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown, of Davidson, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves,

Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson, of Carroll—36.

Negative—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowen, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood, of Hardeman—37.

The House, refused to adjourn.

There being no election for Speaker, the House proceeded to vote the seventeenth time with the following result :

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown, of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gollaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, and Wilson, of Carroll—36.

For Mr. Donelson—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, and Wood, of Hardeman—35.

For Mr. Holmes—

Mr. Brown, of Davidson—1.

For Mr. Nixon—

Mr. Donelson—1.

There being no election, the House proceeded to vote the eighteenth time, with the following result :

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown, of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson, of Carroll—36.

For Mr. Donelson—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, and Wood, of Hardeman—35.

For Mr. Hatton—

Mr. Brown, of Davidson—1.

For Mr. Nixon—

Mr. Donelson.—1.

There being no election the House proceeded to vote the nineteenth time in said election, with the following result :

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown, of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson, of Carroll.—36.

For Mr. Donelson—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, and Wood, of Hardeman.—35.

For Mr. Brien—

Mr. Brown, of Davidson—1.

For Mr. Nixon—

Mr. Donelson—1.

There being no election, the House proceeded to vote the twentieth time in said election, as follows :

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown, of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson, of Carroll—36.

For Mr. Donelson—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall. Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, and Wood, of Hardeman—35.

For Mr. Brien—

Mr. Brown, of Davidson—1.

For Mr. Nixon—

Mr. Donelson—1.

There being no election,

On motion of Mr. Dunnington, from Maury,

The House adjourned until 2 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, in the Chair.

Mr. Mabry moved a call of the House.

All the members being present, the House proceeded to vote the twenty-first time for Speaker with the following result:

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brien, Brazelton, Brown, of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson, of Carroll—36.

For Mr. Donelson—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whitesides, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, and Wood, of Hardeman—35.

For Mr. Brien—

Mr. Brown, of Davidson—1.

For Mr. Travis—

Mr. Donelson—1.

There being no election, the House proceeded to vote the twenty-second time in said election, as follows:

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown, of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll—36.

For Mr. Donelson—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whitesides, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, and Wood, of Hardeman—35.

For Mr. Brien—

Mr. Brown, of Davidson.--1.

For Mr. Travis—

Mr. Donelson—1.

There being no election, the House proceeded to vote the twenty-third time, with the following result:

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown, of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson, of Carroll—36.

For Mr. Donelson—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood, of Hardeman—35.

For Mr. Brien—

Mr. Brown, of Davidson—1.

For Mr. Travis—

Mr. Donelson—1.

There being no election, the House proceeded to vote the twenty-fourth time with the following result:

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazleton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davis, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson, of Carroll—36.

For Mr. Donelson—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Feilder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon and Wood, of Hardeman—35.

For Mr. Brown, of Madison—

Mr. Brown, of Davidson.

For Mr. Travis—

Mr. Donelson.

There being no election, the House proceeded to vote the twenty-fifth time in said election, as follows:

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazleton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson, of Carroll—36.

For Mr. Donelson—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb,

Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, Wood, of Hardeman—35.

For Mr. Brown, of Madison—

Mr. Brown, of Davidson—1.

For Mr. Travis—

Mr. Donelson—1.

There being no election, the House proceeded to vote the twenty-sixth time, in said election, as follows :

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown, of Madison, Brien, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson, of Carroll—36.

For Mr. Donelson—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, Wood, of Hardeman—35.

For Mr. Brown, of Madison—

Mr. Brown, of Davidson—1.

For Mr. Travis—

Mr. Donelson—1.

There being no election, on motion,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, in the chair.

On motion of Mr. Bullen,

The reading of so much of the Journal as contained the ballotings for Speaker, was dispensed with.

There being no election for Speaker, the House proceeded to vote the twenty-seventh time, with the following result :

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown, of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, and Wilson, of Carroll—36.

For Mr. Donelson—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquit, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, and Wood, of Hardeman—35.

For Mr. Snodgrass—

Mr. Brown of Davidson—1.

For Mr. Travis—

Mr. Donelson—1.

There being no election, the House proceeded to vote the twenty-eighth time, with the following result:

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown, of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White and Wilson, of Carroll—36.

For Mr. Donelson—

Messrs. Ball Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixion, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, Wood, of Marshall—35.

For Mr. Snodgrass—

Mr Brown of Davidson—1.

For Mr. Travis—

Mr. Donelson—1.

There being no election, the House proceeded to vote the twenty-ninth time in said election, with the following result:

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson, of Carroll.—36.

For Mr. Donelson—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb,

Cowden, Colquet, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, and Wood, of Hardeman--35.

For Mr. Snodgrass--

Mr. Brown of Davidson--1.

For Mr. Travis--

Mr. Donelson--1.

There being no election, the House proceeded to vote the thirtieth time, with the following result:

For Mr. Brown--

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown, of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, and Wilson, of Carroll--36.

For Mr. Donelson--

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, and Wood, of Hardeman--35.

For Mr. Snodgrass--

Mr. Brown of Davidson--1.

For Mr. Travis--

Mr. Donelson--1.

There being no election, the House proceeded to vote the thirty-first time, with the following result:

For Mr. Brown--

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown, of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, and Wilson, of Carroll--36.

For Mr. Donelson--

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cloud, Cavitt, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whitesides, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, and Wood, of Hardeman--35.

For Mr. Snodgrass--

Mr. Brown of Davidson--1.

For Mr. Travis--

Mr. Donelson--1.

There being no election,

Mr. Cavitt moved

To lay the election of Speaker on the table, for the purpose of
to the election of Principal Clerk.

The ayes and noes being called for on said motion, the following gentlemen voted in the

Affirmative :—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massingill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, and Wood of Cannon—32.

Negative :—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown, of Davidson, Brown, of Madison, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson, of Carroll, Wilson, of Marshall, and Wood, of Hardeman—41.

The House refused to lay the election on the table.

Mr. Holmes moved

That the House adjourn, that the members might have an opportunity to attend the State Fair.

A division being called on said motion,

It was lost.

On motion of Mr. Dortch,

The House resumed the balloting for Speaker, the thirty-second time, with the following result :

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown, of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson, of Carroll—36.

For Mr. Donelson—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, and Wood, of Hardeman—35.

For Mr. White—

Mr. Brown, of Davidson—1

For Mr. Travis—

Mr. Donelson—1.

There being no election,

The House proceeded to vote the thirty-third time, with the following result :

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown, of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson, of Carroll—36.

For Mr. Donelson—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massingill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, and Wood, of Hardeman—35.

For Mr. Gallaway—

Mr. Brown, of Davidson—1.

For Mr. Travis—

Mr. Donelson—1.

Mr. Brown, of Davidson, asked to be excused from voting in the succeeding ballots for Speaker.

A division being called,

He was excused.

There being no election,

The House proceeded to vote the thirty-fourth time, with the following result :

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown, of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson, of Carroll—36.

For Mr. Donelson—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massingill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, and Wood, of Hardeman—35.

For Mr. Travis—

Mr. Donelson—1.

There being no election,

The House proceeded to vote the thirty-fifth time, with the following result :

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett Brazelton, Brien, Brown, of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, De-

Witt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson, of Carroll—36.

For Mr. Donelson—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harriss, Kinney, Mabry, Massingill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, and Wood, of Hardeman—35.

For Mr. Travis—

Mr. Donelson—1.

There being no election,

On motion of Mr. Looney,

The House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, in the Chair.

Mr. Travis moved a call of the House.

There being no election for Speaker,

The House proceeded to vote the thirty-sixth time, with the following result :

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown, of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson, of Carroll—36.

For Mr. Donelson—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massingill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, Wood, of Hardeman—35.

For Mr. Travis—

Mr. Donelson—1.

Succeeding ballots same as the above.

After the forty-second ballot,

Mr. Brien offered Resolution, No. 1, as follows:

Resolved, That Neill S. Brown, having for more than thirty successive balloting received the highest number of votes for Speaker of the House, be declared elected.

The Speaker declared said resolution out of order.

There being no election for Speaker after the forty-fifth ballot,

Mr. Watkins moved

To lay said election on the table, for the purpose of going into the election of Principal Clerk.

The ayes and noes being called,

The following gentlemen voted in the affirmative:

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dunington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massingill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wood, of Cannon—32.

Negative:—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown, of Davidson, Brown, of Madison, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hutton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson, of Carroll, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Hardeman—41.

The House refused to lay the election on the table.

Mr. Dortch introduced Resolution, No. 2, as follows:

Resolved, That after three next successive ballots for Speaker, the ballot immediately thereafter, in said election for Speaker, the person receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared the Speaker of this House of Representatives.

The resolution was laid on the table, under the rule requiring resolutions to lay over one day.

On motion of Mr. Gallaway,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

THURSDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 4, 1855

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Chairman presented to the House an invitation from the Agents of the Methodist Publishing House, to visit their establishment at pleasure, during the session.

Mr. Cavitt moved

For a call of the House ; which was made.

Resolution, No. 2, offered by Mr. Dortch, was taken up, in lieu of which, Mr. Hatton offered the following preamble and resolution, viz :

Whereas, The interests of the State require the speedy organization of this House, and a prompt discharge of the duties devolved upon us as Representatives of the people ; and, whereas, three days have been spent in fruitless efforts to elect a Speaker of this House, and forty-five ineffectual ballots have rendered it wholly improbable that said officer can be chosen in accordance with the practice heretofore prevailing, of requiring a majority of all the votes cast to elect, Therefore, for the purpose of enabling this House to make said election—

Be it Resolved, That the House will proceed immediately to the election of a Speaker, *viva voce*; and if, after the roll shall have been called three times, no member shall have received a majority of the whole number of votes, the roll shall again be called, and the member who shall then receive the largest number of votes, provided it be a majority of a quorum, shall be declared to be chosen Speaker.

Mr Dortch accepted the resolution of Mr. Hatton, in lieu of that offered by himself.

The substitution of Mr. Hatton's resolution in lieu being objected to, the House proceeded to vote thereon.

Those voting for the substitution, were :

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown, of Davidson, Brown, of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, and Wilson, of Carroll—37.

Those who voted in the negative, were :

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, Wood, of Hardeman—36.

Said resolution in lieu being substituted,

Mr. Cavitt moved to lay the resolution on the table ;

On which motion,

Mr. Dortch called for the ayes and noes, which were as follows :
Affirmative—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith,

Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Carroll, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, Wood, of Hardeman—39.

Those who voted in the negative were :

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown, of Davidson, Brown, of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White—34.

Mr. Wilson, of Carroll, moved

A reconsideration of the vote ;

Which motion he was permitted to withdraw.

Mr. Brown, of Davidson, withdrew his name as a candidate for Speaker,

Whereupon, the House adjourned till this evening, 2 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Mr. Wilson, of Carroll, renewed his motion to reconsider the vote on Resolution, No. 2.

The ayes and noes being taken, the motion prevailed.

Those who voted in the affirmative were :

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown, of Davidson, Brown, of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson, of Carroll—37.

Those who voted in the negative were :

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, and Wood, of Hardeman—36.

The Resolution was then put upon its passage,

And the eyes and noes being called, was adopted.

Those voting in the affirmative were :

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown, of Davidson, Brown, of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd,

Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson, of Carroll—37.

Those voting in the negative, were:

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, and Wood, of Hardeman—36.

Mr. Dunnington moved

To suspend the election of Speaker, and proceed to the election of Principal Clerk;

Which motion failed.

The House then proceeded to ballot the forty-sixth time for Speaker, with the following result.

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown, of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson, of Carroll—36.

For Mr. Cloud—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, and Wood, of Hardeman—35.

For Mr. Brien—

Mr. Brown, of Davidson—1.

For Mr. Travis—

Mr. Cloud—1.

There being no election, the House proceeded to vote again for Speaker, with the following result:

(The same as on the 46th ballot, except that Mr. Cloud voted for Mr. Cobb.)

There being no election, the House proceeded to ballot the forty-eighth time, with the following result:

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brien, Brown, of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson, of Carroll—35.

For Mr. Cloud—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath,

Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, and Wood, of Hardeman—35.

For Mr. Hatton—

Mr. Brown, of Davidson—1.

For Mr. Cobb—

Mr. Cloud—1.

Mr. White moved,

For a call of the House;

Which motion failed.

There being no election, the House proceeded to ballot the forty-ninth time, with the following result:

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown, of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson, of Carroll—36.

For Mr. Cloud—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, Wood, of Hardeman—35.

For Mr. Looney—

Mr. Brown, of Davidson—1.

For Mr. Cobb—

Mr. Cloud—1.

It appearing that Neill S. Brown, of the county of Davidson, had received a plurality of the votes cast, under the Resolution, No. 2, adopted by the House, he was declared duly elected, and being conducted to the Chair, returned his acknowledgements to the House.

Mr. Temple offered the following resolution, No. 3,

And the rule being suspended,

It was adopted, viz:

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be tendered to Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, for the very efficient and impartial manner in which, up to this time, he has presided over its deliberations.

On motion of Mr. Dunnington,

The House proceeded to the election of Prin Clerk.

Mr. Newman nominated

D. R. Claiborne, of the county of Franklin.

Mr. White nominated

Rolfe S. Saunders, of the county of Maury.

The House balloted the first time, as follows:

For Mr. Claiborne—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt. Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon, Wood, of Hardeman—37.

For Mr. Saunders—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown, of Davidson, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson, of Carroll—36.

Mr. Claiborne was declared duly elected, and was sworn to the proper discharge of the duties of Principal Clerk.

The House then proceeded to the election of a First Assistant Clerk.

Mr. Carmichael nominated

Mr. Senter.

Mr. Cook nominated

Nash Burt, of Maury.

Mr. Dunnington nominated

W. V. Thompson, of Maury.

Mr. Cox nominated

Mr. Keeling and W. S. Watson.

Mr. Donelson nominated

M. J. Lauderdale, of Sumner.

Mr. Looney nominated

W. H. Gammon, of Knox.

Mr. Travis nominated

J. P. Priestly.

Mr. Ball nominated

E. T. Shemwell.

Mr. Burch nominated

C. C. Alexander, of Hamilton.

Mr. Davie nominated

J. E. Franklin.

Mr. Welcker nominated

John M. Fleming.

The House then proceeded to ballot, as follows :

For Mr. Senter—

Messrs. Brazelton, Campbell, Carmichael, Cobb, Colburn, DeWitt, Dortch, Holmes, Meek, Parks, Snodgrass, Tipton, and Wallace—13.

For Mr. Shemwell—

Messrs. Ball, Shemwell, and Smith—3.

For Mr. Watson—

Messrs. Cox and Temple—2.

For Mr. Franklin—

Messrs. Davie and Fort—2.

For Mr. Thompson—

Messrs. Bobo, Cowden, Dunnington, Gallaway, Newman, Nixon, Watkins, Wilson, of Marshall, and Wood, of Cannon—9.

For Mr. Burt—

Messrs. Algee, Brown, of Madison, Cook, Hatton, Little, Pogue, Runnels, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, and Wilson, of Carroll—11.

For Mr. Alexander—

Messrs. Burch, Easterly, Mabry, Northcutt, Pope Richey, and Rudd.—7.

For Mr. Priestley—

Messrs. Bullen, Carlock, Fielder, Gilbert, Mathis, Travis, Whiteside, and Wood, of Hardeman—8.

For Mr. Keeling—

Mr. Brown, of Davidson—1.

For Mr. Gammon—

Messrs. Bartlett, Cloud, Kinney, Looney, and Massengill—5.

For Mr. Fleming—

Messrs. Armstrong, Brien, Gleaves, Welcker, White—5.

For Mr. Lauderdale—

Messrs. Cavitt, Colquet, Donelson, Galbreath, Myatt, and Stovall—6.

Mr. Nixon introduced, with appropriate remarks, the following resolution, No. 4:

And the rule being suspended,

It was adopted:

Whereas. The members of the House of Representatives, have heard, with pain, intelligence of the death of Felix J. Pavatt, a member elect to the House of Representatives, from the counties of Perry and Decatur:

Therefore, as a tribute of respect to the memory of the deceased, the members of this House wear the usual badge of mourning thirty days; and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the widow of the deceased, by the Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Holmes,

The House adjourned till 9 o'clock to-morrow.

FRIDAY MORNING, 9 OCTOBER 5, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Dunnington moved

For a call of the House ;

Which was made.

Mr. Ward offered the following resolution, No. 5, viz :

Resolved, That in the succeeding votings for First Assistant Clerk, in the House of Representatives, the candidates receiving the lowest number of votes, shall be withdrawn, on each successive ballot ; provided, this process leave as many as two candidates on the list until an election is effected.

The rule was suspended,

And on motion of Mr. Cavitt,

The resolution was laid on the table.

The House then proceeded to ballot the second time for First Assistant Clerk, with the following result :

Those who voted for Mr. Senter were

Messrs. Brazelton, Campbell, Carmichael, Cobb, Colburn, DeWit, Dortch, Holmes, Meek, Parks, Tipton, and Wallace—12.

For Mr. Alexander—

Messrs. Bartlett, Burch, Colquet. Easterly, Mabry, Massengill, Pope, Richey, and Rudd—9.

For Mr. Burt—

Messrs. Algee, Brown, of Madison, Cook, Hatton, Little Pogue, Runnels, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, and Wilson, of Carroll—11.

For Mr. Thompson—

Messrs. Bobo, Cowden, Dunnington, Gallaway, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Watkins, Wilson of Marshall, Wood, of Cannon—10.,

For Mr. Lauderdale—

Messrs. Cavitt, Donelson, Galbreath, Myatt, and Stovall—5.

For Mr. Gammon—

Messrs. Bullen, Cloud, Kinney, and Looney—4.

For Mr. Priestly—

Messrs. Carlock, Fielder, Gilbert, Mathis, Smith, Travis, Wood, of Hademan—7.

For Mr. Keeling—

Mr. Speaker Brown—1.

For Mr. Shemwell—

Messrs. Ball, Harris, and Shemwell—3.

For Mr. Franklin—

Messrs. Cox and Fort—2.

For Mr. Fleming—

Messrs. Armstrong, Gleaves, Snodgrass, Temple, Welcker, and White—6.

There being no election,

Mr. Brien introduced resolution, No. 6, as follows :

Resolved, That in all elections by this House, for Clerks and Doorkeepers, after the third balloting, the person receiving the lowest number of votes shall be dropped, until the number shall be reduced to two.

Rule suspended.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, moved

To amend the resolution by inserting five, in the place of two

Amendment rejected,

And resolution adopted.

The House then proceeded to ballot the third time for First Assistant Clerk, with the following result :

For Mr. Senter—

Messrs. Bartlett, Brazelton, Campbell, Carmichael, Cobb, Colburn, DeWitt, Dortch, Holmes, Meek, Parks, Tipton, Wallace—14.

For Mr. Alexander—

Messrs. Brien, Burch, Easterly, Mabry, Pope, Richey, and Rudd—7.

For Mr. Burt—

Messrs. Algee, Brown, of Madison, Cook, Hatton, Little, Looney, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, and Wilson, of Carroll—12.

For Mr. Lauderdale—

Messrs. Cavitt, Donelson, Galbreath, Myatt, and Stovall—5.

For Mr. Thompson—

Messrs. Bobo, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Gallaway, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall and Wood, of Cannon—12.

For Mr. Watson—

Messrs. Cox and Temple—2.

For Mr. Gammon—

Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Cloud, Kinney, and Massengill—5.

For Mr. Priestly—

Messrs. Carlock, Fielder, Gilbert, Mathis, Smith, Travis, and Wood, of Hardeman—7.

For Mr. Keeling—

Mr. Brown, of Davidson—1.

For Mr. Shemwell—

Messrs. Harris and Shemwell—2.

For Mr. Franklin—

Messrs. Davie and Fort—2.

For Mr. Fleming—

Messrs. Armstrong, Gleaves, Welcker, and White—4.

Mr. Davie offered resolution, No. 7, as follows :

And the rule being suspended,

The resolution was adopted; viz :

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to invite the ministers of the gospel of the different denominations, in the city of Nashville, to attend and open our deliberations with prayer, during the present session.

The House then proceeded to ballot the fourth time for First Assistant Clerk, with the following result :

For Mr. Senter—

Messrs. Bartlett, Campbell, Carmichael, Cobb, Colburn, DeWitt, Dortch, Meek, Tipton, Wallace—10.

For Mr. Alexander—

Messrs. Brien, Burch, Cavitt, Easterly, Mabry, Massengill, Myatt, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, and Rudd—11.

For Mr. Burt—

Messrs. Algee, Brazelton, Brown, of Madison, Cook, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, and Wilson, of Carroll—15.

For Mr. Lauderdale—

Messrs. Donelson and Stovall—2.

For Mr. Thompson—

Messrs. Bobo, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Gallaway, Newman, Nixon, Smith, Watkins, Whiteside, and Wilson, of Marshall—11.

For Mr. Watson—

Mr. Temple—1.

For Mr. Gammon—

Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Cloud, Kinney, and Looney—5.

For Mr. Priestley—

Messrs. Carlock, Fielder, Gilbert, Mathis, Travis and Wood, of Hardeman—6.

For Mr. Keeling—

Messrs. Galbreath, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—3.

For Mr. Shemwell—

Messrs. Harris and Shemwell—2.

For Mr. Franklin—

Messrs. Cox, Davie, and Fort—3.

For Mr. Fleming—Messrs. Armstrong, Gleaves, Welcker, and White—4.

Mr. Welcker thereupon withdrew Mr. Fleming.

Mr. Donelson withdrew Mr. Lauderdale.

Mr. Galbreath introduced Resolution, No. 8, as follows :

Resolved, That each of the grand Divisions of the State are entitled to a participation in the distribution of the offices of the House.

The House refused to suspend the rule,

And the resolution was laid over.

The House then proceeded to ballot the fifth time for First Assistant Clerk, as follows :

For Mr. Senter—

Messrs. Armstrong, Campbell, Carmichael, Cobb, Colburn, DeWitt, Dortch, Gleaves, Meek, Snodgrass, Tipton, Wallace, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—14.

For Mr. Alexander—

Messrs. Brien, Burch, Colquet, Easterly, Mabry, Myatt, Northcutt, Pope, Richie, and Rudd—10.

For Mr. Burt—

Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Cook, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, and Wilson of Carróll—16.

For Mr. Thompson—

Messrs. Bobo, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Galloway, Newman, Nixon, Smith, Watkins, Whiteside, and Wilson of Marshall—12.

For Mr. Gammon—

Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Cloud, Harris, Kinney, Looney, and Massengill—7.

For Mr. Priestley—Messrs. Carlock, Fielder, Gilbert, Mathis, Stovall, Travis, and Wood of Hardeman—7.

For Mr. Keeling—

Mr. Wood, of Cannon—1.

For Mr. Shemwell—

Mr. Shemwell—1.

For Mr. Franklin—

Messrs. Cox, Davie, Fort, and Welcker—4.

Thereupon, Mr. Harris withdrew the name of Mr. Shemwell.

Under the resolution, No. 6, adopted by the House,

Mr. Keeling having received but one vote, was withdrawn.

The House then proceeded to ballot the sixth time, as follows :

For Mr. Senter—

Messrs. Armstrong, Campbell, Carmichael, Cobb, Colburn, Dewitt, Dortch, Gleaves, Meek, Tipton, Wallace, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—13.

For Mr. Alexander—

Messrs. Brien, Burch, Cavitt, Colquet, Easterly, Massengill, Myatt, Northcutt, Pogue, Richey, and Rudd—11.

For Mr. Burt—

Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Cook, Hatton, Parks, Pope, Runnels, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, and Wilson of Carroll—13.

For Mr. Thompson—

Messrs. Bobo, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Galloway, Newman, Nixon, Smith, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—13.

For Mr. Gammon—

Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Cloud, Harris, Kinney, and Looney—6.

For Mr. Priestley—

Messrs. Carlock, Fielder, Gilbert, Mabry, Mathis, Shemwell, Stovall, Travis, and Wood of Hardeman—9.

For Mr. Franklin—

Messrs. Cox, Davie, Fort, Holmes, Little, Snodgrass, Temple, and Welcker—8.

Mr. Gammon, under the rule established, was dropped,

Mr. Davie withdrew the name of Mr. Franklin.

The House then proceeded to ballot the seventh time, with the following result :

For Mr. Senter—

Messrs. Armstrong, Brazelton, Campbell, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Gleaves, Meek, Snodgrass, Tipton, Wallace, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—17.

For Mr. Alexander—

Messrs. Ball, Brien, Burch, Cavitt, Easterly, Harris, Massengill, Myatt, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, and Rudd—12.

For Mr. Burt—

Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Cook, Fort, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, and Wilson of Carroll—18.

For Mr. Thompson—

Messrs. Bobo, Cloud, Cowden, Davie, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gallaway, Mabry, Newman, Nixon, Smith, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon.—16.

For Mr. Priestley—

Messrs. Bullen, Carlock, Fielder, Gilbert, Kinney, Mathis, Shemwell, Stovall, Travis, and Wood of Hardeman—10.

Mr. Priestley, under the established rule, was then dropped, and the House proceeded to ballot the eighth time.

For Mr. Senter—

Messrs. Armstrong, Brazelton, Campbell, Carmichael, Cobb, Colburn, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Gleaves, Meek, Snodgrass, Tipton, Wallace, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—16.

For Mr. Alexander—

Messrs. Ball, Brien, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Davie, Easterly, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Massengill, Northcutt, Pope, Rudd, Stovall, and Travis—17.

For Mr. Burt—

Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Cook, Fort, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, and Wilson of Carroll—18.

For Mr. Thompson—

Messrs. Bobo, Bullen, Cloud, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Gallaway, Kinney, Mabry, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—22.

Mr. Senter, under the rule, was then dropped from the list, and the House proceeded to ballot for the ninth time, as follows :

For Mr. Alexander—

Messrs. Brien, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Easterly, Gilbert, Harris, Mabry, Massengill, Pope, Rudd, and Stovall—15.

For Mr. Burt—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Mr. Speaker Brown, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek,

Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, and Wilson of Carroll—32.

For Mr. Thompson—

Messrs. Bobo, Bullen, Carmichael, Cloud, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Kinney, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northeutt, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—26.

Under the rule of the House, Mr. Alexander was dropped, and

Mr. Hatton withdrew the name of Mr. Burt, and put in nomination that of Mr. Senter; and the House proceeded to ballot the tenth time, as follows:

For Mr. Senter—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Brazelton, Brien, Mr. Speaker Brown, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, and Wilson of Carroll—33.

For Mr. Thompson—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northeutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—36.

It appearing that William Vance Thompson, of the county of Maury, had received a majority of all the votes cast, he was declared by the Speaker duly elected; and being sworn to the proper discharge of the duties of First Assistant Clerk, entered upon the discharge of his duties as such.

Upon motion of Mr. Brien,

The House then proceeded to elect a Second Assistant Clerk.

Mr. Brien nominated L. D. Fite, of the county of Wilson.

Mr. Easterly nominated W. R. Rankin, of the county of Marion.

Mr. Donelson nominated Frank S. Hale, of the county of Greene.

Mr. Looney nominated Thos. T. Mosby, of the county of Davidson.

Mr. Galbreath nominated D. D. Holman, of the county of Robertson.

Mr. Richey nominated John A. Campbell, of the county of Bradley.

Mr. Meek nominated Marcus J. Parrot, of the county of Jefferson.

Mr. Brazelton nominated Wm. F. Brown, of the county of McNairy.

Mr. Little nominated John T. Cannon, of the county of Bedford.

The House proceeded to ballot as follows:

For Mr. Fite—

Messrs. Brien, DeWitt, Gleaves, Hatton, Pope, Snodgrass, and Ward—7.

For Mr. Rankin—

Messrs. Easterly, Rudd, Welcker, and White—4.

For Mr. Hale—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Donelson, Dunnington, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, and Wood of Hardeman—14.

For Mr. Mosby—

Messrs. Bartlett, Mr. Speaker Brown, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Fort, Parks, Temple, Watkins, and Wilson of Marshall—11.

For Mr. Holman—

Messrs. Cavitt, Colquet, Galbreath, Myatt, Northcutt, Shemwell, Stovall, Travis, Whiteside, and Wood of Cannon—19.

For Mr. Campbell—

Messrs. Burch, Cloud, Cobb, Colburn, Fielder, Newman, Nixon, Richey, and Smith—9.

For Mr. Parrott—

Messrs. Armstrong, Meek, and Tipton—3.

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Brazelton, Brown, of Madison, Carmichael, Gallaway, Holmes, Looney, Pogue, Wallace, and Wilson, of Carroll—10.

For Mr. Cannon—

Messrs. Cook, Little, Runnels, Thomas, and Tompkins—5.

Mr. Bobo moved

That the House adjourn till 2 o'clock this evening.

Motion lost.

On motion of Mr. Cook.

The House adjourned till 9 o'clock to-morrow, to enable members to attend the State Fair.

SATURDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 6, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Meek moved

To dispense with the reading of the various ballots made yesterday ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Hatton introduced Resolution, No. 9, as follows :

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed to draft and report rules for the order and government of this House ; and that said committee be directed to act in conjunction with a committee of the Senate, in the preparation of joint rules for the government of conferences between the Senate and the House of Representatives of the State of Tennessee.

Resolution laid over under the rule.

Mr. Bullen introduced Resolution, No. 10, as follows :

Resolved, That the Principal Clerk be authorized to employ a printer for such job work as may be necessary for the House, until a public printer may be elected.

On motion of Mr. Newman,

The rule was suspended.

Mr. Dortch moved

To lay the resolution on the table ;

Which motion failed.

Mr. Dortch moved

To amend the resolution, by striking out the words, "that the clerk be authorized to employ," and substituting "that the House appoint."

Mr. Dunnington moved

To lay Mr. Dortch's amendment on the table ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Tipton moved

To amend by instructing the Clerk to employ the "Whig," "Banner" and "Union and American."

Mr. Gleaves moved

To amend by adding the "Gazette."

Which amendments, on motion of Mr. Dunnington, were laid on the table.

Mr. Harris moved

For the consideration of the previous question ;

Which question, the ayes and noes being demanded, resulted as follows :

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34

The original resolution was then put to the House, and the ayes and noes being called for, it was adopted :

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34

Mr. Galbreath moved

To proceed with the election of second Assistant Clerk.

Mr. Little withdrew the name of Mr. Cannon.

Mr. Easterly withdrew the name of Mr. Rankin.

Mr. Fort, through Mr. Davie, asked leave of absence, on account of sickness in his family.

Granted.

Mr. Cavitt asked leave of absence for same cause, through Mr. Dunnington ;

Which was granted.

The Speaker, under Resolution, No. 7, appointed Messrs. Davie, Cox, and Nixon, a committee to invite the clergymen of the various

denominations, to attend and open the deliberations of the House with prayer.

The House then proceeded to ballot the second time for Second Assistant Clerk, viz :

For Mr. Fite—

Messrs. Brien, Cook, DeWitt, Gleaves, Hatton, Little, Pope, Snodgrass, and Ward—9.

For Mr. Hale—

Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Cobb, Donelson, Dunnington, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Rudd, and Wood, of Hardeman—15.

For Mr. Mosby—

Messrs. Bartlett, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Looney, Runnels, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Watkins, Wilson, of Marshall, Mr. Speaker Brown—12.

For Mr. Holman—

Messrs. Colquet, Galbreath, Myatt, Northcutt, Shemwell, Stovall, Travis, Whiteside, and Wood, of Cannon—9.

For Mr. Campbell—

Messrs. Bobo, Burch, Cloud, Colburn, Cowden, Easterly, Fielder, Newman, Nixon, Ritchie, and Smith—11.

For Mr. Parrott—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Carmichael, Meek, Parks, Tipton, Wallace, and Welcker—8.

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Brazelton, Brown, of Madison, Gallaway, Holmes, Pogue, White, and Wilson, of Carroll—7.

Mr. Meek withdrew the name of Mr. Parrott.

The House then proceeded to ballot the third time for Second Assistant Clerk, as follows :

For Mr. Fite—

Messrs. Armstrong, Brien, Cook, DeWitt, Gleaves, Hatton, Little, Parks, Pope, Snodgrass, Ward, Welcker, and Wilson, of Carroll—13.

For Mr. Hale—

Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Cobb, Donelson, Dunnington, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Meek, Rudd, Smith, Tipton, and Wood, of Hardeman—16.

For Mr. Mosby—

Messrs. Bartlett, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Holmes, Looney, Runnels, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Watkins, White, Wilson, of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—14.

For Mr. Holman—

Messrs. Colquet, Galbreath, Mabry, Mathis, Myatt, Northcutt, Shemwell, Stovall, Travis, Whiteside, and Wood, of Cannon—11.

For Mr. Campbell—

Messrs. Bobo, Burch, Cloud, Colburn, Cowden, Easterly, Fielder, Newman, Nixon, and Richey—10.

For Mr. Brown—

Messrs. Algee, Brazelton, Brown, of Madison, Carmichael, Gallaway, Pogue, and Wallace—7.

Mr. Brazelton withdrew the name of Mr. Brown.

The House then proceeded to ballot a fourth time, as follows:

For Mr. Fite—

Messrs. Armstrong, Brazelton, Brien, Cook, DeWitt, Gleaves, Hatton, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Snodgrass, Ward, Welcker, and Wilson, of Carroll—14.

For Mr. Hale—

Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Cobb, Donelson, Dunnington, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Meek, Newman, Rudd, Smith, Tipton, and Wood, of Hardeman—17.

For Mr. Mosby—

Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brown, of Madison, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Gallaway, Holmes, Little, Looney, Runnels, Temple, Thomas, Thompkins, Watkins, White, Wood, of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—19.

For Mr. Holman—

Messrs. Colquet, Galbreath, Mabry, Mathis, Myatt, Northcutt, Shemwell, Stovall, Travis, and Whiteside—10.

For Mr. Campbell—

Messrs. Bobo, Burch, Carmichael, Cloud, Colburn, Easterly, Fielder, Nixon, Richey, Wallace, and Wilson, of Marshall—11.

After this ballot, Mr. Holman was dropped, under the resolution.

The House then proceeded to ballot the fifth time, as follows:

For Mr. Fite—

Messrs. Armstrong, Brien, DeWitt, Gleaves, Hatton, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Snodgrass, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, and Wilson, of Carroll—13.

For Mr. Hale—

Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Cobb, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Northcutt, Rudd, Stovall, Tipton, Travis, and Wood, of Hardeman—20.

For Mr. Mosby—

Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown, of Madison, Cook, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Gallaway, Holmes, Little, Looney, Runnels, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Watkins, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—19.

For Mr. Campbell—

Messrs. Bobo, Burch, Carmichael, Cloud, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Easterly, Fielder, Mabry, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, and Wood, of Cannon—19.

It appearing that Mr. Fite had received the lowest number of votes, he was dropped in accordance with the rule.

Mr. Burch nominated Mr. J. E. J. Lewis, of Knox, but upon objection being raised, withdrew the nomination.

The House then proceeded to ballot the sixth time for Second Assistant Clerk, as follows :

For Mr. Hale—

Messrs. Ball, Brien, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Cobb, Colquet, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Northcutt, Rudd, Stovall, Tipton, Travis, and Wood, of Hardeman—22.

For Mr. Mosby—

Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown, of Madison, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Thompkins, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Wilson, of Carroll, Wood, of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—29.

For Mr. Campbell—

Messrs. Armstrong, Bobo, Burch, Carmichael, Cloud, Colburn, Cowden, Easterly, Fielder, Mabry, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Wallace, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall—20.

It appearing that Mr. Campbell had received the lowest number of votes, he was dropped under the rule.

Mr. Armstrong nominated Hardin P. Shannon ;

And the Speaker, to enable the House to decide the question finally, as to the admissibility of candidates under the rule adopted, decided to receive the nomination ; from which decision,

Mr. Looney appealed to the House for a decision.

Whereupon, Mr. Armstrong withdrew the name of Mr. Shannon, and Mr. Looney withdrew his appeal from the decision of the Speaker.

The House then proceeded to ballot the seventh time, as follows :

For Mr. Hale—

Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall Tipton, Travis, Wallace, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, and Wood, of Hardeman—42.

For Mr. Mosby—

Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown, of Madison, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Wilson, of Carroll, Wood, of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—29

Whereupon, it appearing that F. S. Hale, of the county of Greene, had received a majority of the votes cast, he was, by the Speaker, declared elected ; and, being present, was sworn, and entered upon the discharge of the duties of Second Assistant Clerk.

On motion, the House proceeded to the election of Principal Doorkeeper.

Mr. Mathis nominated Thomas J. Farris, of Madison county.
 Mr. Richey nominated George W. Turk, of Bradley county.
 Mr. Gleaves nominated W. A. Robertson, of Wilson county.
 Mr. Bullen nominated Rufus K. Marsh, of Greene county.
 Mr. Cowden nominated Wm. G. Brooks, of Franklin county.
 Mr. Wallace nominated A. P. Green, of Grainger county.
 Mr. Mabry nominated Jesse D. Dobbins, of Warren county.
 Mr. Northcutt nominated James McGuire, of DeKalb county.
 Mr. Brown, of Madison, nominated H. H. Whitesides, of Madison county.

Mr. Davie nominated W. J. Mallory, of Dickson county.

Mr. Nixon nominated Robert F. Braden, of McMinn county.

Mr. Temple nominated W. L. Barry, of Davidson county.

Mr. Temple moved

That the House adjourn until Monday morning, 9 o'clock.

But it appearing to be the desire of the House to complete its organization, before adjournment, he withdrew his motion.

The House then proceeded to vote the first time for Principal Doorkeeper, with the following result:

For Mr. Barry—

Messrs. Cox, Temple, Tompkins, and Mr. Speaker Brown—4.

For Mr. Braden—

Messrs. Burch, Carlock, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Fielder, Harris, Massengill, Mathis, Nixon, Pope, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Whiteside, and Wood, of Hardeman—16.

For Mr. Brooks—

Messrs. Bobo, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Newman, Runnels, Shemwell, Watkins, and Wilson, of Marshall—10.

For Mr. Dobbins—

Messrs. Mabry, and Wood of Cannon—2.

For Mr. Farris—

Messrs. Gilbert, Stovall, and Travis—3.

For Mr. Green—

Messrs. Carmichael, Meek, and Wallace—3.

For Mr. Marsh—

Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bullen, Campbell, Kinney, White—6.

For Mr. Mallory—

Messrs. Cook, Davie, and Little—3.

For Mr. McGuire—

Messrs. Bryan, Myatt, and Northcutt—3.

For Mr. Robertson—

Messrs. DeWitt, Gleaves, Hatton, and Ward—4.

For Mr. Turk—

Messrs. Colburn, Easterly, Richey, and Tipton—4.

For Mr. Whitesides—

Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown, of Madison, Dortch, Gallaway, Holmes, Looney, Parks, Pogue, Thomas, and Wilson, of Carroll—12.

For Mr. Scruggs—

Mr. Welcker—1.

There being no election, the House proceeded to vote the second time as follows :

For Mr. Barry—

Messrs. Cox, Little Temple, Tompkins, Mr. Speaker Brown—5.

For Mr. Braden—

Messrs. Burch, Carlock, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Massengill, Mathis, Nixon, Pope, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Whiteside, and Wood of Hardeman—17.

For Mr. Brooks—

Messrs. Bobo, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Newman, Runnels, Shemwell, Watkins, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon—10.

For Mr. Dobbins—

Mr. Mabry—1.

For Mr. Farris—

Messrs. Gilbert, Stovall, and Travis—3.

For Mr. Green—

Messrs. Carmichael, Meek, and Wallace—3.

For Mr. Mallory—

Messrs. Cook, Davie, Dortch, and Looney—4.

For Mr. Marsh—

Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bullen, Campbell, Kinney White—6.

For Mr. McGuire—

Messrs. Brien, Myatt, and Northcutt—3.

For Mr. Robertson—

Messrs. DeWitt, Gleaves, Hatton, and Ward—4.

For Mr. Turk—

Messrs. Colburn, Easterly, Richey, and Tipton—4.

For Mr. Whitesides—

Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown, of Madison, Galloway, Holmes, Parks, Pogue, Thomas, Wilson, of Carroll—10.

For Mr. Scruggs—

Mr. Welcker—1.

Mr. Mabry withdrew the name of Mr. Dobbins.

The House then proceeded to vote the third time as follows :

For Mr. Barry—

Messrs. Cox, Dortch, Temple, Tompkins, Mr. Speaker Brown—5.

For Mr. Braden—

Messrs. Burch, Carlock, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Fielder, Harris, Massengill, Mathis, Nixon, Pope, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Travis, Whiteside, and Wood, of Hardeman—17.

For Mr. Brooks—

Messrs. Bobo, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Newman, Runnels, Shemwell, Watkins, Wilson, of Marshall, and Wood, of Cannon.—11.

For Mr. Farris—

Messrs. Gilbert and Stovall—2.

For Mr. Green—

Messrs. Carmichael Meek, and Wallace—3.

For Mr. Mallory—

Messrs. Bartlett, Davie, Little, and Looney—4.

For Mr. Marsh—

Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bullen, Campbell, Kinney, White—6.

For Mr. McGuire—

Messrs. Brien, Mabry, Myatt, and Northcutt—4.

For Mr. Robertson—

Messrs. Cook, DeWitt, Gleaves, Hatton and Ward—5.

For Mr. Turk—

Messrs. Colburn, Easterly, Richey, and Tipton—4.

For Mr. Whiteside—

Messrs. Algee, Brazelton, Brown, of Madison, Gallaway, Holmes, Parks, Pogue, Thomas, and Wilson, of Carroll—9.

For Mr. Scruggs—

Mr. Welcker—1.

Mr. Gilbert withdrew the name of Mr. Farris.

The House then proceeded to ballot as follows, the fourth time, viz :

For Mr. Barry—

Messrs. Cox, Little, Temple, Tompkins, Wilson, of Carroll, Mr. Speaker Brown—6.

For Mr. Braden—

Messrs. Carlock, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Donelson, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Massingill, Mathis, Nixon, Pope, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Travis, Whiteside, and Wood of Hardeman—20.

For Mr. Brooks—

Messrs. Bobo, Cowden, Dunnington, Newman, Runnels, Shemwell, Watkins, Wilson, of Marshall, and Wood, of Cannon—9.

For Mr. Greene—

Messrs. Carmichael, Meek and Wallace—3.

For Mr. Mallory—

Messrs. Bartlet, Cook, Davie and Welcker—4.

For Mr. Marsh—

Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bullen, Campbell, Kinney, White—6

For Mr. Turk—

Messrs. Burch, Colburn, Richey and Tipton—4

For Mr. Whiteside—

Messrs. Algee, Brien, Brown, of Madison, Dortch, Gallaway, Holmes, Looney, Parks, Pogue and Thomas—10.

Mr. Greene, under the rule established, was dropped.

The House then proceeded—there being no election—to ballot the fifth time as follows :

For Mr. Barry—

Messrs. Cox, Dortch, Holmes, Temple, Tompkins, and Mr. Speaker Brown—6.

For Mr. Braden—

Messrs. Carlock, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Donelson, Fielder, Gil-

bert, Harris, Massengill, Mathis, Nixon, Pope, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Travis, Whiteside, and Wood, of Hardeman—19.

For Mr. Brooks—

Messrs. Bobo, Cowden, Dunnington, Galbreath, Newman, Runnels, Shemwell, Watkins, Wilson, of Marshall, and Wood, of Cannon—10.

For Mr. Mallory—

Messrs. Bartlett, Cook, Davie, Little and Welcker—5.

For Mr. Marsh—

Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Brien, Campbell, Carmichael, Kinney, Meek and White—8.

For Mr. McGuire—

Messrs. Brien, Easterly, Mabry, Myatt and Northcutt—5.

For Mr. Robertson—

Messrs. DeWitt, Gleaves, Hatton and Ward—4.

For Mr. Turk—

Messrs. Burch, Colburn, Richey, Tipton and Wallace—5.

For Mr. Whiteside—

Messrs. Algee, Brazelton, Brown, of Madison, Gallaway, Looney, Parks, Pogue, Thomas, and Wilson of Carroll—9.

Mr. Robertson, having received the smallest number of votes, was dropped.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall moved

That the House adjourn; but upon the ayes and noes being demanded, withdrew the motion.

Mr. Temple moved

That the House adjourn till Monday morning, 9 o'clock.

The ayes and noes being demanded, the motion was lost as follows:

Ayes:—Messrs. Armstrong, Brown of Madison, Cox, Dunnington, Hatton, Holmes, and Temple—7.

Noes:—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Cook, Colquet, Cowden, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Easterly, Fielder, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—63.

Messrs. Dunnington and Hatton asked and obtained leave of absence till Monday morning.

Mr. Meek moved

To amend the rule of the House in such manner as to drop the two hindmost candidates;

Which motion was carried.

Mr. Cox withdrew the name of Mr. Barry.

The House proceeded to vote the sixth time, as follows :

For Mr. Braden—

Messrs. Carlock, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Massengill, Mathis, Nixon, Pope, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Travis, Whiteside, and Wood of Hardeman—22.

For Mr. Brooks—

Messrs. Bobo, Cowden, Newman, Runnels, Shemwell, Ward, Watkins, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—9.

For Mr. Mallory—

Messrs. Cook, Davie, Looney, Temple, Mr Speaker Brown—5.

For Mr. Marsh—

Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Campbell, Carmichael, Kinney, Meek, Welcker, and White—9.

For Mr. McGuire—

Messrs. Brien, Mabry, Myatt, and Northcutt—4.

For Mr. Turk—

Messrs. Burch, Colburn, DeWitt, Richey, Tipton, Wallace—6.

For Mr. Whitesides—

Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Cox, Dortch, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Parks, Pogue, Thomas, Tompkins, and Wilson of Carroll—16.

In accordance with Mr. Meek's resolution, Messrs. Mallory and McGuire were dropped.

There being no election, the House proceeded to vote the seventh time, as follows :

For Mr. Braden—

Messrs Brien, Carlock, Cloud Cobb, Colquet, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Nixon, Pope, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Travis, Whiteside, and Wood of Hardeman—25.

For Mr. Brooks—

Messrs. Bobo, Cook, Cowden, Newman, Northcutt, Runnels, Shemwell, Watkins, and Wood of Cannon—9.

For Mr. Marsh—

Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bullen, Campbell, Carmichael, Kinney, Meek, Wallace and White—9.

For Mr. Turk—

Messrs. Burch, Colburn, DeWitt, Richey, and Tipton—5.

For Mr. Whiteside—

Messrs. Algee, Bartlett Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Gallaway, Gleaves, Holmes, Little, Looney, Parks, Pogue, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—20.

Mr. Turk, having received the lowest number of votes, was dropped.

It appearing that Mr. Brooks and Mr. Marsh had each received nine votes, and the rule of the House not providing for such a case,

On motion of Mr. Runnels,

The rule was so amended as in such cases not to drop either or both candidates who should be tied.

The House proceeded to vote the eighth time, as follows :

For Mr. Braden—

Messrs. Brien, Burch, Carlock, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Nixon, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Travis, Whiteside, and Wood of Hardeman—28.

For Mr. Brooks—

Messrs. Bobo, Cook, Cowden, Newman, Northcutt, Runnels, Shemwell, Tipton, Ward, Watkins, and Wood of Cannon—11.

For Mr. Marsh—

Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bullen, Campbell, Carmichael, Kinney, Meek, Wallace, and White—9.

For Mr. Whitesides—

Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Parks, Pogue, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—21.

By the rule, Messrs. Brooks and Marsh were dropped.

And the House proceeded to ballot the ninth time, as follows :

For Mr. Braden—

Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, White, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—40.

For Mr. Whitesides—

Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown, of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—29.

Whereupon, Mr. Braden was declared to be elected Principal Doorkeeper of the House of Representatives for the present session.

Mr. Cook introduced Resolution, No. 11, as follows :

Resolved, That the ladies be invited to attend the deliberations of the House of Representatives ;

And, upon motion, the rule was suspended and the Resolution adopted.

Upon motion of Mr. Holmes,

Mr. Cook was appointed to make known the action of the House in this respect.

Mr. Temple moved

That the House adjourn until Thursday morning, 9 o'clock ;

Which was lost.

The House then proceeded to the election of Assistant Doorkeeper.

Mr. Gleaves moved

To drop the two hindmost candidates beginning with the first ballot.

Mr. Tipton moved

To amend Mr. Gleaves' amendment by inserting *five* in place of *two*, which he afterwards withdrew.

Mr. Braden was then sworn as Principal Doorkeeper.

Mr. Gleaves' motion was then adopted.

Nominations were declared in order.

Mr. Cox nominated W. F. Kirk, of Giles county; Fletcher W. Horn, W. S. Walker, and W. H. Davis, of Davidson county.

Mr. Travis nominated Joseph B. Bates, of Stewart county.

Mr. Cook nominated John H. Scruggs, of Williamson county.

Mr. Little nominated George W. Hobbs.

Mr. Algee nominated G. L. Harris, of Carroll county.

Mr. Armstrong nominated Anderson Hill, of Knox county.

Mr. Dunnington nominated Peter Adams.

Mr. Mabry nominated Thomas Mason, of Warren county.

Mr. Thomas nominated William H. Ferrell, of Hardeman county.

Mr. DeWitt nominated Samuel Pipkin, of Macon county.

Mr. Harris nominated A. Fine, of Washington county.

Mr. Ward nominated J. H. Smith.

Mr. Meek nominated John S. Bettis, of Jefferson county.

Mr. Brazelton nominated William McKinney, of Henderson county.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, nominated Stokely White, of Rutherford county.

The House then proceeded to ballot for Assistant Doorkeeper, with the following result:

For Mr. Bates—

Messrs. Donelson, Dunnington, Gilbert, Mathis, Shemwell, Stovall, and Travis—7.

For Mr. Scruggs—

Messrs. Cook, Hatton, and Looney—3.

For Mr. Hobbs—

Messrs. Bobo, Davie, and Little—3.

For Mr. Harris—

Messrs. Algee and Wilson, of Carroll—2.

For Mr. Hill—

Messrs. Armstrong, Bullen, Cobb, Colquet, Kinney, Wallace, and White—7.

For Mr. Mason—

Messrs. Easterly, Mabry, Nixon, Northcutt, and Pope—5.

For Mr. Ferrell—

Messrs. Bartlett, Brown, of Madison, Campbell, Dortch, Holmes, Parks, and Thomas—7.

For Mr. Adams—

Messrs. Brien, and Myatt—2.

For Mr. Horne—

Messrs. Cox and Temple—2.

For Mr. Walker—

None—0.

For Mr. Davis —

None—0.

For Mr. Pipkin—

Messrs DeWitt, Gleaves, and Snodgrass—3.

For Mr. Fine—

Messrs. Ball, Burch, Carlock, Cloud, Colburn, Harris, Massengill, Richey, Smith, Tipton, and Watkins—11.

For Mr. Smith—

Messrs. Galbreath and Ward—2.

For Mr. Bettis—

Messrs. Carmichael and Meek—2.

For Mr. McKinney—

Messrs. Brazelton, Gallaway, Newman, and Pogue—4.

For Mr White—

Messrs. Cowden, Fielder, Runnels, Rudd, Tompkins, Whiteside, and Wood of Cannon—7.

For Mr. Kirk —

Mr. Speaker Brown—1.

Under Mr. Gleaves' amendment, Messrs. Kirk, Walker, and Davis were dropped from the list of candidates.

Mr. Meek withdrew the name of Mr. Bettis.

Mr. Algee withdrew the name of Mr. Harris.

Mr. Wood withdrew the name of Mr. Smith.

Mr. Temple moved

That all candidates receiving under five votes be dropped from the list ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Burch introduced Resolution, No. 12, as follows :

Resolved, That G. W. Turk be allowed pay for his services as Principal Doorkeeper for six days, in the organization of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Brien moved

To lay the Resolution on the table.

After which, Mr. Burch, by leave of the House, withdrew his Resolution.

The House proceeded to ballot the second time for Assistant Doorkeeper. with the following result :

For Mr Bates—

Messrs Donelson, Gilbert, Mathis, Shemwell, Stovall, and Travis—6.

For Mr. Scruggs—

Messrs. Cook, Looney, and Mr. Speaker Brown—3.

For Mr. Hobbs—

Mr. Little—1.

For Mr. Hill—

Messrs. Armstrong, Bullen, Cobb, Kinney, Meek, Wallace, and White—7.

For Mr. Mason—

Messrs. Colquet, Easterly, Mabry, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope—6.

For Mr. Ferrell—

Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Holmes, Parks, and Thomas—10.

For Mr. Adams—

Mr. Myatt—1.

For Mr. Horne—

None—0.

For Mr. Pipkin—

Messrs. Brien, Carmichael, DeWitt, Galbreath, Gleaves, Snodgrass, Wood, and Wilson of Carroll—8.

For Mr. Fine—

Messrs. Ball, Burch, Carlock, Cobb, Harris, Massengill, Richey, Smith, and Tipton—9.

For Mr. McKinney—

Messrs. Brazelton, Gallaway, Newman, and Pogue—4.

For Mr. White—

Messrs. Bobo, Colburn, Cowden, Fielder, Runnels, Rudd, Tompkins, Whiteside, and Wood of Cannon—9.

Under Mr. Temple's resolution, Messrs. Scruggs, Walker, Adams, McKinney, Horn, and Hobbs were dropped.

Mr. Travis withdrew the name of Mr. Bates.

Mr. Tipton moved

To drop the two hindmost candidates at each succeeding ballot, this rule not to interfere with the effect of Mr. Temple's Resolution.

The House then proceeded to ballot the third time, as follows:

For Mr. Hill—

Messrs. Armstrong, Bullen, Carmichael, Cobb, Cook, Kinney, Looney, Meek, Rudd, Wallace, White, Mr. Speaker Brown—12.

For Mr. Mason—

Messrs. Donelson, Easterly, Mabry, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, and Stovall—10.

For Mr. Ferrell—

Messrs. Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Gallaway, Holmes, Little, Parks, Pogue, and Thomas—15.

For Mr. Pipkin—

Messrs. Brien, DeWitt, Galbreath, Gleaves, Snodgrass, and Ward—6.

For Mr. Fine—

Messrs. Ball, Burch, Carlock, Cloud, Colquet, Colburn, Gilbert, Harris, Massengill, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, and Tipton—13.

For Mr. White—

Messrs. Bobo, Cowden, Fielder, Runnels, Tompkins, Whiteside, and Wood of Cannon—7.

Under the amendment of Mr. Tipton, Mr. White and Mr. Pipkin were dropped.

The House proceeded to ballot the fourth time.

For Mr. Hill—

Messrs. Armstrong, Brazelton, Bullen, Carmichael, Cobb, Cook, Davie, DeWitt, Gleaves, Kinney, Looney, Meek, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—20.

For Mr. Mason—

Messrs. Brien, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Easterly, Mabry, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Rudd, and Wood of Cannon—14.

For Mr. Ferrell—

Messrs. Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Cox, Dortch, Gallaway, Holmes, Little, Parks, Thomas, and Wilson of Carroll—11.

For Mr. Fine—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Burch, Carlock, Cloud, Colburn, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Massengill, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Tipton, and Whiteside—16.

Mr. Mason and Mr. Ferrell were subject to the rule.

There still being no election, the House proceeded to ballot the fifth time.

For Mr. Hill—

Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carmichael, Cobb, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Gallaway, Gleaves, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—34.

For Mr. Fine—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Burch, Carlock, Cloud, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—28.

It appearing that Anderson Hill, of the county of Knox, had received a majority of the votes cast, he was declared duly elected by the Speaker, Assistant Doorkeeper.

Mr. Nixon moved

that the Clerk inform the Senate that the House is now organized and ready to proceed with the public business.

Carried.

Mr. Galbreath introduced Resolution, No. 13, as follows:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to join a similar committee on the part of the Senate, to wait upon His Excellency the Governor of Tennessee, and inform him that the two

Houses of the General Assembly are now organized, and ready to receive any communication he may think proper to make.

Laid over.

On motion of Mr. Holmes,

The House adjourned till Monday morning, 9 o'clock.

MONDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 8, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

To dispense with reading of the various ballots ;

Which was done.

Mr. Galbreath moved

To take up Resolution, No. 13 ;

Which was done, and the resolution adopted.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Galbreath, Travis and Welcker, as committee ; who, having discharged their duty, reported that the Governor would send in his Message at half-past 2 o'clock this afternoon.

The Chair appointed the regular Standing Committees, as follows :

Committee on Elections.—Messrs. Meek, Cloud, Carlock, Pope, Shemwell, Bobo, and Bartlett.

On Ways and Means.—Messrs. Dortch, Cavitt, Harris, Pogue, Brown of Madison, Welcker, Watkins, Tipton, and Wood of Harde-
man.

On Finance.—Messrs. Travis, Holmes, Thomas, Davie, DeWitt, Burch, and White.

On Claims.—Messrs. Nixon, Dunnington, Gallaway, Armstrong, Carmichael, Little, and Richey.

On Education and Common Schools.—Messrs. Wood of Harde-
man, Brien, Donelson, Cox, Runnels, Campbell, and Gleaves.

On Internal Improvements.—Messrs. Brown of Madison, Looney, Temple, Ward, Nixon, Newman, Burch, Bartlett, White, Fort, Rudd, Hatton, and Cook.

On Military Affairs.—Messrs. Northcutt, Tompkins, Easterly, Fielder, Smith, Brazelton, and Colburn.

On New Counties and County Lines.—Messrs. White, Kinney, Mathis, Massengill, Cowden, Pogue, Parks, Thomas and Tompkins.

On Public Lands.—Messrs. Algee, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, Brazelton, Bullen, Mabry, and Myatt.

On Judiciary.—Messrs. Brien, Brown of Madison, Hatton, Travis, Looney, Burch, Cavitt, Dortch, and Wood of Hardeman.

On Penitentiary.—Messrs. Hatton, Fort, Ward, Welcker, Whiteside, Dunnington, and Temple.

On Banks.—Messrs. Davie, Snodgrass, Colquet, Cox, Wallace, Armstrong, and Bartlett.

On Federal Relations.—Messrs. Looney, Brien, DeWitt, Tipton, Thomas, Newman, and Gilbert.

On Lunatic Asylum.—Messrs. Snodgrass, Gleaves, Colquet, Algee, Wilson of Marshall, Kinney, Fielder, Mathis, and Galbreath.

On Enrolled Bills—Messrs. Harris, Welcker, Pope, and Mabry.

On Agriculture and Manufactures.—Messrs. Donelson, Runnels, Watkins, Dortch, Carmichael, Richey, Little, Easterly, and Ball.

On State Capitol.—Messrs. Holmes, Parks, Cowden, Carlock, Cobb, Meek, and Cook.

Mr. Cook introduced Resolution, No. 15, as follows :

Resolved, That a committee of seven upon Tippling and Tippling Houses be appointed.

Rule suspended, and resolution adopted.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Cook, DeWitt, Dunnington, Tipton, Carlock, Fielder, and Wilson of Carroll.

Mr. Harris introduced a resolution directing that the Doorkeeper be instructed to ascertain from each member what *two* of the city papers he desired ; and that members should pay from their own pockets for all papers other than the two selected, taken by them.

Rule suspended, and resolution adopted.

Mr. Brien introduced a Bill, No. 1, to suppress tippling, nuisances, and breaches of the peace ;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Nixon introduced Resolution, No. 17, as follows :

Resolved, That a joint select committee of five on the part of the House, and two on the part of the Senate, be appointed to take charge of the State Library until otherwise disposed of by the General Assembly.

Rule suspended, and resolution adopted.

Mr. Brien offered a petition to change the line between DeKalb and Putnam counties.

Mr. Brien presented a Bill, No. 2, entitled " An act to change the line between the counties of Putnam, DeKalb and Cannon ; "

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, introduced Bill, No. 3, entitled " An act for the benefit of G. W. Turk and others ; "

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, introduced Resolution, No. 18, as follows
Resolved, That the Senate meet the House of Representative on Tuesday, the 9th inst., for the purpose of comparing the vote cast in the election for Governor.

The rule was suspended, and the resolution adopted.

Resolution, No: 9, was taken up and adopted.

The Speaker appointed as the Committee on Rules under Resolution, No. 9, Messrs. Hatton, Holmes, Snodgrass, Harris, and Travis.

The Speaker appointed under Resolution, No. 17, as a Committee on State Library, Messrs. Nixon, Wood of Hardeman, Travis, Hatton, and Runnels.

Mr. Bullen introduced Resolution, No. 19, as follows :

Resolved, That a standing committee of five, be appointed on public roads and highways.

Mr. Gilbert moved

To amend Resolution, No. 19, as follows :

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Roads consist of nine members, in place of five ; giving three to each Grand Division of the State.

The rule was suspended, and the resolution as amended, was adopted.

A message, No. 2, from the Senate by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Senate has adopted the following Resolution, No. 5 :

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed on the part of the Senate, to meet such committee as may be appointed by the House of Representatives, to draft rules for the two Houses.

The Senate has also concurred in House Resolution, No. 13, appointing a committee to wait upon His Excellency the Governor ; and the Speaker has appointed Messrs. Whitthorne, Carter, and Brown, such committee on the part of the Senate.

The Senate has adopted the following Resolution, No. 6 :

Resolved, That the Senate meet the House of Representatives, on Thursday the 11th inst., at 10 A. M., for the purpose of comparing the vote for Governor at the recent election.

The House concurred in Senate Resolution, No. 6, appointing Thursday, instead of Tuesday, as provided in Resolution, No. 18.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, moved

To accept the invitation of the Methodist Publishing House.

Adopted.

The Clerk was directed to accept the invitation on behalf of the House.

A message, No. 3, was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Senate have adopted the following resolution, No. 7, viz :

Resolved, By the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, that the Treasury of the State be directed to pay to the members and officers of the two Houses, of this General Assembly, the amount of their daily pay ; which, at the time of their application for the same, may be due to them, according to law ; and that their receipts shall be vouchers for the Treasurer, in the settlement of his account.

Mr. Nixon moved

To amend Senate Resolution, No. 7,

By inserting after the words "daily pay," the words "and mileage."

The Senate Resolution, as amended, under a suspension of the rule, was adopted.

The Speaker appointed the following gentlemen, the committee, ordered by Resolution, No. 19:

Messrs. Bullen, Meek, Burch, Donelson, Ward, Brien, Brown of Madison, Parks, and Gilbert.

Mr. Wilson of Marshall, introduced Bill, No. 4,

To abolish military duty;

Which was passed on first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Nixon, the House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Kenney introduced Bill, No. 5, entitled

A bill to repeal an act, entitled an act, passed March 2nd, 1854, chapter 49.

Read first time and passed, and referred to Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Cobb introduced Resolution, No. 20, as follows:

Resolved, by the House of Representatives, that the Doorkeeper be required to furnish the House with a catalogue of the names of the members and officers of the General Assembly, their place of birth, county and State, age, residence, post-office, whether married or single, boarding house, occupation, and the county represented.

The rule being suspended, the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Bullen introduced Bill, No. 6, entitled

An act to authorize the Broyles and Henshaw Bridge Company to build a toll bridge across the Nolachucky river, in Green county;

Which was read the first time, and passed.

Mr. Thomas introduced Bill, No. 7, entitled

An act to regulate subscriptions to railroad stock in the counties of Gibson, Henry, and Haywood.

Which was read the first time, and passed.

A message was received from the Governor, by W. B. A. Ramsey, Secretary of State.

*Fellow Citizens of the Senate and
House of Representatives :*

The organic law and long established custom in this State requires the Governor, from time to time, to submit to the consideration of both Houses of the General Assembly, such measures and suggestions as he may deem expedient and proper. I would, therefore, in the first place, most respectfully call your attention to the liabilities of the State.

The actual indebtedness of the State at this time is as follows :

Five and a quarter per cent. bonds issued for stock in internal improvement companies, -	\$ 227,416 66
Five per cent. bonds issued for stock in internal im- provement companies, - - - -	1,824,440 00
Six per cent. bonds issued for capital in the Bank of Tennessee, - - - - -	1,000,000 00
Six per cent. bonds issued for building State Cap- itol, - - - - -	691,000 00
For stock in the Union Bank, - - - - -	250,000 00
Amounting to - - - - -	\$3,992,856 66

In addition to the above actual indebtedness, the State is liable for bonds loaned and endorsed, as follows :

To the East Tenn. and Georgia Railroad, -	\$ 870,000
“ Tennessee and Alabama “ - - -	300,000
“ Memphis and Ohio “ - - -	340,000
“ East Tennessee and Virginia “ - - -	569,000
“ Memphis and Charleston “ - - -	740,000
“ M’Minville and Manchester “ - - -	300,000
“ Mississippi and Tenn. “ - - -	98,000
“ Mississippi and Dyersburg Plank Road, - -	25,000
“ Manskers Creek and Springfield Turn- pike, (endorsed) - - - -	10,000
“ Nashville and Chattanoga Rail- road, (endorsed) - - - -	1,500,000
Amounting to	\$4,752,000

Making the whole liabilities of the State for bonds issued for Stock, loaned and endorsed to Internal Improvement Companies, amount to eight million seven hundred and forty-four thousand eight hundred and fifty-six dollars and sixty-six cents (8,744,856 66).

It will devolve on you to provide for the payment of one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars, (125,000) of the bonds which were issued for stock in the Union Bank, falling due first of January, 1858, and fifty thousand dollars (50,000) bonds issued for building the State Capitol, falling due first of April of the same

year. It is for the Legislature to determine whether these bonds shall be paid by imposing additional taxes on the people or out of the Stocks owned by the State.

I lay before you for examination the original cost and present estimated value of the State Stocks, and also the value of the taxable property and number of taxable polls, made out by the Comptroller of the Treasury.

STOCK OWNED BY THE STATE.

STOCK.	ORIGINAL COST.	ESTIMAT'D PRES. VAL.
Bank of Tennessee,	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
Union Bank,	650,000	650,000
East Ten. and Georgia Railroad,	650,000	300,000
Franklin and Columbia Turnpike,	75,950	56,925
Lebanon and Nashville “	80,000	48,266
Nolensville “	47,000	11,750
Nashville and Charlotte “	30,000	20,000
Lebanon and Sparta “	85,000	21,170
Columbia Central “	139,000	21,170
Nashville and Kentucky “	50,000	12,500
Clarkesville and Russelville “	37,500	9,000
Columbia Pulaski and Elkton “	126,600	12,233
Nashville and Murfreesboro “	66,666 66	30,530
Gallatin and Cumberland “	6,000	5,283
Gallatin, “	130,000	26,000
Cumberland and Stone's River “	119,000	20,000
Total value,	3,292,716 66	2,244,827

The above Turnpike Companies pay 6 per cent. on the estimated value.

Total value of Taxable Property,	\$219,011,047 81
“ number of Taxable Polls,	100,011
State tax on \$219,011,047 81 at ten cents on the hundred dollars,	219,011 04
State tax on 109,011 polls at fifteen cents,	15,001 65

At the last session of the Legislature, an act was passed directing the Governor and Comptroller to invest the dividends arising from the stock in the Union and Planters Banks in the six per cent. bonds. We have received on account of said bonds one hundred and fifty-five thousand two hundred and forty-nine dollars and thirty-six cents; and have contracted with the Bank of Tennessee for the whole amount in bonds.

As it becomes your duty to appoint a committee to examine the accounts of the Comptroller and Treasurer, I would therefore suggest that you direct the same committee to examine and report as to the amount received and disbursed under the act of 1853-4, chapter 44.

For the details of the State debt and the true condition of the Treasury, I most respectfully refer you to the report which will be made by the Comptroller of the Treasury.

BANKS.

The condition of the Bank of Tennessee will be fully set forth and made known in a report which will be made and submitted to the General Assembly, by the President and Directors of that institution, at an early day. It will be seen from a careful examination of the report that the principal bank and branches have been conducted with great efficiency in the ordinary banking transactions, and especially so in collecting and securing a large portion of what is called the suspended debt. More of this debt has been collected and secured in the last two years than at any former period.

In regard to this institution, I still adhere to my former opinion, as submitted to the last Legislature, that the principal bank and its branches ought to be put into gradual liquidation, and that the present is an auspicious time for such gradual liquidation, giving ample and reasonable time to all persons indebted to the institution to make arrangements for paying the amount they may owe the principal bank and its branches. The process of winding up the institution at the present time can be made so gradual and easy as not to embarrass the indebted portion of the community in the smallest degree.

A number of banks have gone into operation under a law passed by the General Assembly of 1851-2, and others no doubt will soon commence. In addition to this, the last Legislature incorporated seven "stock banks, which will more than supply the vacuum created by the withdrawal or the winding up of the Bank of Tennessee, and furnish all the banking facilities needed by the whole commercial and business portion of the country. As the capital of the bank is withdrawn from circulation, it can be profitably invested in the bonds of the State, thereby again making its way into the general circulation, and at the same time creating a home market for the bonds of the State equal to the entire assets of the bank. The bonds are bearing an interest of six per cent. per annum, which will, in the end, yield a greater profit to the State, making it the safest and most judicious investment that can be made with the common school and other funds, which now constitute the capital of the Bank of Tennessee, and which is under the control of the Legislature.

If the State can in any reasonable time, dispose of the stock owned in the Union and Planters Banks, upon good and safe terms, and all other stocks owned by the State in turnpikes or railroads, it would be equally wise, safe and judicious to make a like investment with the proceeds of such stocks in the six per cent. bonds of the State. The number of internal improvement works which have been com-

menced by the various companies, and which are entitled to aid by law from the State, and a number of others that in all probability will be commenced, which will require the issuance of a large amount of State bonds, amounting to many millions of dollars, will absorb the entire capital of the State Bank and the proceeds of all the stocks owned by the State, if they are invested in the bonds of the State as already indicated.

The Free Banking Law, as it is commonly called, requires revision and amendment, and should be so modified as to require all applicants for banking privileges under it to deposit, as a greater security to note holders, with the Comptroller of the treasury, twenty-five per cent. more in bonds than they receive notes in exchange for circulation. The note holders are entitled to this additional security to meet any reasonable depreciation which may take place in the value and sale of the bonds of the State when thrown into market for sale. And, as a further protection to the community, there should be a law passed prohibiting the circulation of any bank note of a less denomination than five dollars, in the State. We have seen within the last few years gold and silver driven almost entirely out of circulation for all the ordinary business transactions of the country, by the excessive issue of small notes by the various banks throughout the State. The passage of such a law would in a short time restore to circulation, for all ordinary purposes, gold and silver, which cannot depreciate in the hands of the small and unsuspecting dealers, as is often the case with bank notes, by the depreciation of small notes or the breaking of banks. The necessity of the passage of such a law must be obvious to all, and it is wholly unnecessary for me to make any argument to the Legislature or to the country in its favor.

There is one other suggestion that I will make in regard to the Free Banking Law: the law should be so amended as to fix definitely the rates at which notes should be discounted by all persons banking under that law, thereby making the discounts equal and uniform in banking operations throughout the State.

TAX ON MERCHANTS.

In my message to the last Legislature, the attention of that body was called to the subject of merchants' taxes, and as no action was then taken upon it, I again submit that portion of my message to your consideration :

"There is some complaint with the mercantile interest, in consequence of the unequal and discriminating operation of our revenue laws regulating merchant's license. The complaint is not without some foundation and good cause on their part. The law, as it now stands, requires all wholesale and retail dealers in merchandise in this State to pay into the treasury of the State one half per cent. on the invoice cost of goods vended by them. The main cause of complaint, as I understand it, is, that in the first place, the whole-

sale merchant, by the revenue law, is required to first pay into the treasury the half of one per cent., or fifty cents on the hundred dollars. After the tax is paid by him into the treasury, the retail merchant then purchases the same goods of him and takes them to another establishment, in or out of the county where purchased, as the case may be, and vends them again; for which he is required to pay one-half of one per cent. of fifty cents on the hundred dollars, into the treasury; which is one per cent. paid to the State for the goods thus sold. By this process it will be perceived that the State lays a double tax on the goods purchased from the wholesale dealer within the limits of the State. The business retail dealer has no difficulty in understanding the operation, and finds it to his interest to go beyond the limits of the State to make his purchases, and thereby save the one-half of one per cent. in the purchase of his goods, or fifty cents on every hundred dollars. It must be obvious to all business men, that if the wholesale dealer is required first to pay the tax into the treasury, that when the retail merchant buys of him he must pay it back, and then when he makes sale of the goods, he must pay a like amount into the treasury; which is practically compelling the country merchant to pay a double tax to the State on the same goods; which, as a matter of course, makes it his interest to go beyond the limits of the State to make his purchases, and become the customer of the foreign wholesale dealer, instead of the wholesale dealer at home; and to that extent operates against our own commercial cities and commercial men.

“It is most manifest to my mind that the practical effect of the revenue law, as it now stands, regulating merchants’ license, is to discriminate against the merchant at home and in favor of the one abroad. The subject is, therefore, submitted to your consideration, with the hope that the law will be so modified as to place the mercantile interest of the State on an equal footing and in a field of fair competition with a like interest of the other States of the Union.

NASHVILLE AND CHATTANOOGA RAILROAD.

By the sixth section of an act passed February the 8th, 1854, chapter 31, it was made the duty of the Governor to endorse and guarantee the bonds of the Nashville and Chattanooga Railroad Company in an amount not exceeding six hundred and fifty thousand dollars. Immediately after the passage of this law, the President of the company presented six hundred and fifty thousand dollars in bonds of the company, which bonds were endorsed and guaranteed as the law prescribed. The bonds were then delivered to the President of the company, he executing his receipt for them. Sometime after this the President and Mr. Edwin H. Ewing made application to the Governor for the endorsement and guarantee of ninety-five thousand dollars more in bonds of the said company.

The reason given for this application was that the bonds had been destroyed to the amount of ninety-five thousand dollars, they having been through mistake burned for other bonds, and presented as proof of the fact a certificate of the Cashier of the Bank of the Republic of New York, together with the fragments or scraps of forty-three bonds, or that portion of them which contained the coupons; the body of the bonds containing the signature of the President of the company and the endorsement of the Governor, being entirely gone. The fragments or scraps of the bonds, presented as material proof of the fact of the bonds having been destroyed, were so discolored and charred by the action of the fire, that they afforded no proof that the Governor had ever seen or endorsed them, leaving no evidence before him but the certificate of the Cashier of the Bank of the Republic of New York, where the bonds had been burned through mistake. In this connection, however, it is due to state that there is no class of evidence that could have been presented proving the loss or destruction of the bonds that would have induced the Governor, as the law now stands, to endorse and guarantee any additional number of bonds on account of their loss or destruction, there being no law authorizing it to be done. The bonds had been once endorsed and guaranteed and delivered to the President of said company. This was deemed a complete execution of the law, leaving the Governor after its execution no control or discretion over the subject whatever. There is no law conferring power on the Executive where bonds have been misplaced or destroyed, upon application to him, to issue other bonds in their place, whether they have been endorsed or loaned, held by companies or individuals. The exercise of such a power on the part of the Governor, in the absence of law, would be setting a dangerous precedent, which might open the door wide to fraud and speculation by all unscrupulous persons into whose hands the bonds of the State might fall, which had been loaned to companies to aid in works of internal improvements, or those that had been endorsed or guaranteed for the same purpose. The second or third holder of bonds which had been transferred by any internal improvement company, in the event of the loss or destruction of the bonds in his hands, would have the same right to apply to the Governor for the issuance of new bonds in consequence of the loss or destruction of the old bond, so transferred, that the company had who first received the bonds from the State. It would be unsafe and dangerous to confer any such power on the Executive, thereby leaving it to his discretion to determine the nature and character of proof which would authorise him to issue bonds in all cases where they might be represented as being lost or destroyed. All questions of this character should be provided for by direct legislation, and not left to executive discretion.

Taking this view of the subject, the Governor declined to endorse and guarantee the ninety-five bonds already referred to. In reference to the actual destruction of the bonds in the present case,

the Governor had no doubt of its having occurred as represented by the President of the company and Edwin H. Ewing, Esq., and at the time the application was made for the endorsement and guarantee of the bonds he felt more than anxious to accommodate them and the company, but declined doing so for the reasons already given. The whole subject is therefore submitted for your consideration and action, and will be disposed of as you may hereafter direct.

PUBLIC ROADS.

I would also call your attention to my former recommendation on this subject:

“Our whole system of public roads is exceedingly defective, perhaps more so than in any other State in the Union, imposing the burden of keeping it up upon that portion of our fellow-citizens least able to bear it, and who have the least use for it after it is kept up. Many persons are compelled to work on the public roads many days in the year, who have not the time to spare to do so, without pay, and the necessities of whose families need the proceeds of their entire labor for their support; while on the other hand there are many, who are exempt by law from working on the public roads, who are either able, physically to work them, or pecuniarily to pay for having it done, and who derive the greatest benefit from good roads when they are made, by the enhanced value good roads impart to their property, and by increasing the comforts and facilities of traveling over them. In view of changing or modifying our present system, I most respectfully call your attention to the system of keeping up public roads in the States of Ohio and Pennsylvania, where property and other taxes are levied for the purpose of keeping up the public roads and highways, and thereby carrying out the principle, that the individual who derives the greatest benefit from having them kept up, and in proper condition for the traveling public, shall pay correspondingly for the benefits thus conferred. All persons should contribute to the support of the government under which they live, in proportion to the protection they may receive from it. Our present road system, it must be conceded by all, operates most unjustly and unequally upon the great mass of the people, and ought to be changed. I therefore recommend to your consideration the propriety of so changing or modifying the present system as to conform it to the requirements of the public judgment and wants of the country, and that it be done during the present session of the Legislature.”

NATIONAL HOMESTEAD.

This important measure, by a large majority, has passed the popular branch of our national Legislature twice in succession, and was lost both times in the Senate, which is conclusive that the pop-

ular will demands the passage of such a law. I therefore call the attention of both branches of the Legislature to my recommendation upon this subject, which was made to the last Legislature :

“I feel that I cannot conclude this message without urging upon your consideration the importance and propriety of instructing our Senators in the Congress of the United States, and requesting our Representatives to use all reasonable exertion to procure the passage of a bill granting to every head of a family, who is a citizen of the United States, a ‘Homestead’ of one hundred and sixty acres of land, out of the public domain, upon condition of the settlement and cultivation for a number of years. This is a measure of no ordinary consideration to the American people, and the correctness of its policy has been settled in the public judgment, and it would have been the law long before this time, had the popular will been carried out by the Congress of the United States. I therefore hope that you will take such action as will reflect the popular sentiment of the sovereign people of this State, and thereby contribute the weight of your influence to the consummation of this great measure.”

JUDICIARY.

I would most respectfully call your attention to my views upon this subject, as submitted to the last Legislature. I also transmit for examination a copy of the bill referred to in my message :

“The true foundation of our Judiciary is to be found in the Bill of Rights, which was adopted by the sovereign people in the year 1796, and was, in the year 1834, re-affirmed. In the 17th section they have declared in the most emphatic manner, ‘that all courts shall be open, and every man, for an injury done him, in his lands, goods, person, or reputation, shall have remedy by due course of law, and right and justice administered without sale, denial or delay.’ ‘Right and justice’ is to be ‘administered without sale, denial or delay;’ this is laid down as the basis—as the foundation of our whole system of jurisprudence; and it is imperative on the Legislature, in the organization of our courts, to conform them to the principles herein laid down. To a correct understanding of the kind of courts to be established, we should first determine what is meant by the terms ‘right and justice,’ as used in the bill of rights. The most approved authors define the term *right*: ‘Conformity to human laws, or other human standard of truth, propriety or justice.’ ‘*Justice*—the constant and perpetual disposition to render every man his due,’ &c. In this connection we might consider the meaning of *equity* also. In an enlarged and legal view, ‘Equity, in its true and genuine meaning, is the soul and spirit of the law.’ In this, ‘equity is made synonymous with justice.’ Right, justice and equity, according to common sense, and the best authorities, mean the same thing. When it comes to establishing a court or a tribunal, or it may be called by any other name, which is intended as a

standard by which the precise difference can be determined between the contending parties, it is imperative on the Legislature to establish the standard which will accomplish the great end, as designed in the bill of rights, and if it were possible to so organize our courts, that when parties came into them to have their differences adjusted, for the court and jury to ascertain what is the precise equity between the parties, and then to determine that as the law of the case. 'equity being the soul and spirit of the law'—in other words, making the equity of the case, *the law of the case*. Taking the bill of rights as the foundation for our courts, the inquiry very naturally arises as to whether our courts, as now established, under the sixth section, first article of the constitution, are in conformity with the principles herein laid down. This article says: 'The judicial power of the State shall be vested in one supreme court, and in such inferior courts as the Legislature shall ordain and establish.' This provision of the constitution would seem to give great latitude to the Legislature in the organization of the courts. But the exercise of this power by the Legislature must be in strict conformity with the principles laid down, in the bill of rights. The bill of rights, being the better part of the constitution, is paramount.

"In all questions of apparent conflict between the bill of rights and the constitution, they should be reconciled and made to harmonize, if possible; but where there is a final repugnance, the constitution must give way, it bearing the same relation to the bill of rights that a law does to the constitution. Hence, in the organization of the courts, the Legislature has no authority, under the sixth article, to depart from this great and fundamental principle, as laid down in the bill of rights, or the better part of the constitution.

"Under the constitution of 1796, judges of the supreme and inferior courts were appointed by the Legislature to office during good behavior. The Legislature conferred upon the courts, chancery and law jurisdiction, which was exercised by them for thirty-eight years, or till 1835. The people, after making the experiment, became well satisfied that our judicial system was exceedingly defective, falling far short of carrying out the great principles, as contemplated in the bill of rights.

"In 1834, the people again, in convention, so changed the constitution as to make it more in conformity with the great idea of right and justice, by changing the tenure of all judicial officers from that of life to a term of years, and at the same time referring back many other elections to themselves which had been given up in the constitution of 1796.

"These changes in the constitution have been effected, in part, for the purpose of conforming the courts of the country, in their whole structure, to the wants and necessities of the people. There has been evident dissatisfaction with the courts of the country for a number of years past. The people find fault with the judges, complain of lawyers, and sometimes condemn jurors—affording

conclusive evidence that there is a wrong somewhere: delay, expense and perplexity of mind on the part of the litigants—confidence in the courts much impaired in the public estimation. Under our present system, an individual goes into what is termed a court of law, to obtain justice in some matter of controversy; and after much time is spent and expense incurred, he comes out of law with a long bill of costs to pay; and if he complains of the proceeding, he is told that his case was a good one, but he was unfortunate in bringing his action in the wrong court; that his remedy is not in law, but in chancery. Another individual brings his suit in a court of chancery, and after a like delay of time and trouble in filing bills and hearing answers, he is turned out of court with a long bill of costs and charges to pay, and he is consoled in the same way by telling him his case is a good one, but his remedy is not in chancery, but in a court of law; and from a court of law to a court of chancery, until, in the end, if the end ever comes, the substance of the parties is in many instances consumed, and the gainer of the suit is frequently the loser, and the unfortunate party goes into immediate bankruptcy. This is the manner in which law and equity is administered under our present system of jurisprudence, which, in fact, is the great cause of complaint of the parties who go into our courts to obtain justice, and a want of confidence on the part of the people in the courts of law and chancery.

“Upon this subject I shall take high ground, and assume that the courts can be so organized, that law and equity can be administered by the same court, by the same judge and jury, and at the same time, and that, too, without ‘sale, denial, or delay.’ Let the courts of law and chancery be blended or converted into one court—(it is not material by what name you call it)—or, in other words, let the law and equity of the case be heard by the court and jury at the same time—let the parties, if necessary, be examined in open court—let all the restraints and barriers be removed—all false issues and collateral questions be thrown aside, and the cause tried upon the naked merits involved, and thereby administer ‘right and justice’ to the contending parties, and let them go hence without delay.

“I feel well assured that the people throughout the State expect legislative action upon this subject before the close of your session. This is a most propitious time for bringing about the change in our judiciary, as indicated, the people having removed all constitutional difficulties that were in the way by the adoption of the recent amendments to the constitution. There is now a bill before your honorable body, entitled a bill ‘*To abridge and simplify the pleadings, practice and proceedings in the courts of justice in this State,*’ which will, if passed into a law, accomplish much in conforming the practice in the courts to the requirements of the bill of rights and the wants of the people. In recommending this bill to your favorable consideration, or some one very similar in its provisions, I am not recommending a new and untried experiment, but one which has been tried and approved by many of our sister States. It will

and can succeed with us as it has with them, if the experiment is fully and fairly made, and will, no doubt, give general satisfaction here, as it has there, by simplifying, cheapening and shortening the process by which litigants may obtain 'right and justice.'

"That the bill referred to has been prepared by its originator with great care and much labor, is manifest to all who will give it a careful examination; and it is believed, after passing the legislative ordeal, will be so improved as more closely to approximate the intentions and design of those who framed the constitution. The leading principles of the measure now recommended to your favorable consideration, have been advocated by me since my first entrance into public life, in the year 1835; and my reflection and observation, together with the successful experiments which has been made in other States of the Union, have tended to confirm me in the opinion that it ought to be adopted in this State, and that, too, before the adjournment of the present Legislature."

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES.

"I will most respectfully call the attention of the General Assembly to the fifth article of the Constitution of the United States, which prescribes the mode and manner of amendment to that instrument, and also to three propositions to amend the Constitution of the United States, which are appended to, and made a part of this message, which is respectfully submitted for consideration and action by the General Assembly. In submitting this subject, I shall make no long or labored argument to the Legislature, or to the country, to prove the importance and necessity of adding these three amendments to the Constitution of the United States. All who are in favor of popularizing our free institutions as far as may be practicable, and bringing the general government nearer to the people, will receive and treat them as self-evident propositions,

"I will conclude by adding, that they were the doctrines of Jefferson, Jackson, Macon, and a number of other statesmen and patriots, whose opinions are at all times entitled to the respect and consideration of the American people."

Since this recommendation was made to the last Legislature, I have become more thoroughly convinced in my own mind of the importance of making the proposed amendments to the Constitution of the United States. The last two popular elections in this State show the importance of electing United States Senators at the ballot-box, instead of electing them by the Legislature. The popular will of the State, as reflected through the ballot-box, has, twice in succession, demonstrated most conclusively that the Legislature does not reflect the will of the people in the election of Senators; but, on the contrary, has elected Senators to the Senate of the United States who stand opposed to the public judgment, as twice recorded by the sovereign people of the State.

The great importance of amending the Constitution of the United States, so as to bring the election of President and Vice President of the United States directly before the people, as proposed in the amendment as hereunto appended, is becoming more and more manifest by every day's experience. In the next election of President and Vice President, it is highly probable that there will be three or more candidates, and, in that event, the chances are that the people of the several States will not have the privilege of choosing the President and Vice President through the electoral colleges, no one of the candidates receiving a majority of all the electoral votes, which will cause the election to be transferred from the electoral college to the United States House of Representatives, where the choice will be made by States, without regard to the electoral vote ; which, in all probability, will result, as it did in 1824, by foisting men into office in utter disregard of the popular will. The proposed amendment to the Constitution would remove all apprehension and difficulty on this account, and cause the election to be made by the electoral college—some one of the candidates receiving a majority of all the electoral votes.

JOINT RESOLUTION,

PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES

CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES.

ARTICLE FIFTH—OF AMENDMENTS.

“Congress, whenever two-thirds of both Houses shall deem it necessary, shall propose amendments to this Constitution, or the application of the Legislatures of two-thirds of the several States shall call a convention for proposing amendments ; which, in either case, shall be valid to all intents and purposes, as part of this Constitution, when ratified by the Legislatures of three-fourths of the several States, or by conventions in three-fourths thereof, as the one or the other mode of ratification may be proposed by Congress ; provided that no amendment which may be made prior to the year one thousand eight hundred and eight, shall in any manner affect the first and fourth clauses in the ninth section of the first article ; and that no State, without its consent, shall be deprived of its equal suffrage in the Senate.”

JOINT RESOLUTION,

Proposing amendments to the Constitution of the United States.

"Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, two thirds of both Houses concurring, That the following amendments to the Constitution of the United States be proposed to the Legislatures of the several States, which, when ratified by the Legislatures of three-fourths of the States, shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution:

That hereafter, the President and Vice President of the United States shall be chosen by the people of the respective States, in the manner following: Each State shall be divided, by the Legislature thereof, into districts, equal in number to the whole number of Senators and Representatives to which such State may be entitled in the Congress of the United States; the said districts to be composed of contiguous territory, and to contain, as nearly as may be, an equal number of persons entitled to be represented under the Constitution, and to be laid off, for the time, immediately after the ratification of this amendment, and afterwards, at the session of the Legislature next ensuing the apportionment of representatives by the Congress of the United States; that on the first Thursday in August, in the year eighteen hundred and fifty-six, and on the same day every fourth year thereafter, the citizens of each State who possess the qualifications requisite for electors of the most numerous branch of the State Legislatures, shall meet within their respective districts, and vote for a President and Vice President of the United States, one of whom at least shall not be an inhabitant of the same State with themselves; and the person receiving the greatest number of votes for President, and the one receiving the greatest number of votes for Vice President in each district, shall be holden to have received one vote; which fact shall be immediately certified by the Governor of the State, to each of the Senators in Congress from such State, and to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The Congress of the United States shall be in session on the second Monday in October, in the year eighteen hundred and fifty-six, and on the same day every fourth year thereafter; and the President of the Senate, in the presence of the Senate and House of Representatives, shall open all the certificates, and the votes shall then be counted. The person having the greatest number of votes for President, shall be President, if such number be equal to a majority of the whole number of votes given; but if no person have such majority, then a second election shall be held on the first Thursday in the month of December then next ensuing, between the persons having the two highest numbers for the office of President; which second election shall be conducted, the result certified, and the votes counted, in the same manner as in the first; and the person

having the greatest number of votes for President, shall be President. But, if two or more persons shall have received the greatest, and an equal number of votes, at the second election, then the person who shall have received the greatest number of votes in the greatest number of States, shall be President. The person having the greatest number of votes for Vice President, at the first election, shall be Vice President, if such number be equal to a majority of the whole number of votes given; and if no person have such a majority, then a second election shall take place between the persons having the two highest numbers, on the same day that the second election is held for President; and the person having the highest number of votes for Vice President shall be Vice President. But if there should happen to be an equality of votes between the persons so voted for at the second election, then the person having the greatest number of votes in the greatest number of States, shall be Vice President. But when a second election shall be necessary in the case of Vice President, and not necessary in the case of President, then the Senate shall choose a Vice President from the persons having the two highest numbers in the first election, as is now prescribed in the Constitution.

SEC. 2. *And be it further resolved*, That article one, section three, be amended by striking out the word "Legislature," and inserting in lieu thereof the following words, viz: "persons qualified to vote for members of the most numerous branch of the Legislature," so as to make the third section of said article when ratified by three-fourths of the States, read as follows, to-wit:

The Senate of the United States shall be composed of two Senators from each State, chosen by the persons qualified to vote for the members of the most numerous branch of the Legislature thereof, for six years, and each Senator shall have one vote.

SEC. 3. *And be it further resolved*, That article three, section one, be amended by striking out the words "good behavior," and inserting the following words, viz: "the term of twelve years." And further, that said article and section be amended by adding the following thereto, viz: "and it shall be the duty of the President of the United States, within twelve months after the ratification of this amendment by three-fourths of all the States as provided by the Constitution of the United States, to divide the whole number of judges as near as may be practicable, into three classes. The seats of the first class shall be vacated at the expiration of the fourth year from such classification; of the second class, at the expiration of the eighth year; and of the third class, at the expiration of the twelfth year, so that one-third may be chosen every fourth year thereafter."

The article, as amended, will read as follow:

ARTICLE III.

SECTION 1. The judicial power of the United States shall be vested in one Supreme Court, and such inferior courts as the Congress,

from time to time, may ordain and establish. The judges, both of the supreme and inferior courts, shall hold their offices during the term of twelve years, and shall, at stated times, receive for their services a compensation, which shall not be diminished during their continuance in office. And it shall be the duty of the President of the United States, within twelve months after the ratification of this amendment by three fourths of all the States, as provided by the Constitution of the United States, to divide the whole number of judges, as near as may be practicable, into three classes. The seats of the judges of the first class shall be vacated at the expiration of the fourth year from such classification; of the second class, at the expiration of the eighth year; and of the third class, at the expiration of the twelfth year; so that one-third may be chosen every fourth year thereafter."

"This is merely submitted as one plan of amendment, to accomplish the contemplated change in the Constitution of the United States. Any other plan more perfect, and more in conformity with the whole structure of the Government, will be equally acceptable. It is expected that the amendments will be put in the most perfect form possible that can be devised by the exercise of your better judgment."

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

By a joint resolution of the General Assembly, adopted March 3d, 1854, the Governor was authorized to appoint a suitable person as superintendent of weights and measures. In compliance with this resolution, Mr. John Herrigus has been appointed superintendent to take charge of the weights and measures, as furnished by the Federal Government, under a resolution passed June 14th, 1836. Since the appointment of the superintendent the weights and measures have been received, and are now under his control, and by him have been deposited in one of the rooms of the Capitol, set apart for that purpose by the commissioners. The weights and measures were all received in good order, and are now subject to the inspection of both branches of the Legislature. The resolution authorizing the appointment of superintendent of weights and measures, made no provision for any compensation for the time and labor necessary for taking the proper care of the weights and measures, which are now in his possession. It cannot be expected that the superintendent can lose his time and labor without some pay. The resolution also authorized the Governor to have made, under the direction of the superintendent, a set of standard weights and measures for each county of the State. This portion of the resolution, so far, has not been carried out by the Governor, believing, as he did, that, the cost would be much greater to procure a set of standard weights and measures for each county in the State, than the Legislature was aware of at the time the resolution passed. The cost of a set of standard weights and mea-

asures, such as would be suitable for the respective counties, from the most reliable sources of information, will not cost much less than two hundred dollars per set, which will make the aggregate cost near sixteen thousand dollars. Notwithstanding the aggregate cost may seem to be high, I am still of the opinion that sound policy and the best interest of the State require a law to be passed making the standard of weights and measures uniform throughout the State, and that each county in the State ought to be furnished with a set of standard weights and measures for that purpose; and unless the Legislature repeal the resolution, the Governor will, at an early day, proceed, as authorized, to have each county furnished with a set of standard weights and measures, as authorized by law.

PENITENTIARY.

Upon this subject, my general views have undergone no change since the sitting of the last Legislature; and I would most respectfully call your attention to the suggestions and recommendations then made in my message to that body.

"This institution has, so far, failed in all the leading objects of its creation. The confinement of persons within the prison house or prison walls of a penitentiary, with the view of reforming them in their moral character, has been proven by all experience to be a great error; and it is not now contended for as a reforming institution by any one who has become at all familiar with the subject. There is not one in every thousand convicts whose moral condition is improved by such imprisonment; but, on the contrary, most of them, if not all, are made worse than they were before, and become more confirmed in crime.

"Upon the subject of convicts becoming reformed by penitentiary imprisonment and association, Dr. John S. Young, former Secretary of State, in an able and elaborate report made on the 15th of September, 1845, to the Commissioners of Public Buildings, and by them submitted to the Legislature, used the following language: 'I am entirely skeptical on the subject of reforming convicts by teaching them mechanical trades; little or no good results from it. When a convict leaves the prison, he lays down his cap, and with it his trade. He looks back upon both as the badges of his disgrace, and the companions of his imprisonment; he aims to something else which he considers better than his trade, or returns to the re-commission of crime. His trade, in most instances, as I believe, serves to better qualify the villain without reforming the man. Those who would attempt the moral reformation of the felon, must employ other means. They must bear in mind that three-fourths of those stained with crime can neither read nor write. The mind must be cultivated in order to produce those genial influences which are calculated to remove vicious inclinations and base propensities, and give place to proper sensibilities and corrected feel-

ings, from which altered intentions and virtuous actions must spring.

"The trial, conviction and sentence by the court of persons to the penitentiary for violation of the laws, has had no restraining influence whatever on immorality, and carries little or no terror to the mind of the evil doer. The announcement in the court-house yard that such a person has been sentenced for so many years imprisonment, is received with no alarm, but, on the contrary, with great indifference; and it is the frequent remark that it is better for the individual who has just been sentenced to so many year's confinement—it will be far better for him. He will, while there, be enabled to learn a good trade, and will live better there than he ever did before. The sheriff then prepares with his guards and starts with the convict for the penitentiary, making rather the impression, as he leaves, upon the mind of many spectators, that the prisoner has done well in obtaining a traveling trip of pleasure and a money-making business for the sheriff and his escort, and he in the end be made one of the mechanics of the country. In fine, on these two points, it will be readily perceived the penitentiary reforms no one after he is confined within its walls; and the sentence of the court, and confinement together, deters no one from a violation of the laws of the land.

"In the next place, the system has fallen far below the expenses incurred in the erection of the establishment, and the annual cost of carrying it on, up to the present time. Upon a close examination of the items properly chargeable to the institution, after giving it full credit for all that it is entitled to, there will still be found a deficit of not less than one hundred thousand dollars—probably much more. I have obtained sufficient data from Mr. Love, the principal book-keeper, who has appeared very accommodating, and much disposed to afford every facility in his power to remove all difficulty in getting at the true financial condition of the institution, together with a report recently made by the Comptroller to the Senate, showing how much has been paid out of the treasury for the conveyance of convicts to the penitentiary, to satisfy my mind that the State has incurred a heavy loss by the penitentiary. It will take but little investigation of this subject to satisfy any discerning mind that the penitentiary exerts no beneficial moral influence on society, in or out of the penitentiary, and that it is now, and has been, an incubus on the treasury, and will most likely continue so, unless the whole establishment undergoes a thorough change.

"While the institution has failed in all the leading objects of its creation, the manner in which it has been conducted has been made to operate injuriously upon the mechanical interest of the country. It has been made practically a *State mechanic institute*, fostered and sustained by the treasury of the State, and brought into direct competition with the mechanics of the country to the extent of its entire operation. The conditions upon which persons are admitted into this *State mechanic institute* are very discriminating

and invidious in their character. Before the candidate can obtain admission to the high privilege of being employed in this institution, at any of the branches of business carried on there, he must first commit the horrid crime of murder, arson, larceny, rape, or some other one of the offences violative of law. He must then stand a trial at some of our courts of justice, and then receive a certificate from the presiding judge that these facts are all true, and, in addition to this, he must be accompanied by the high sheriff of the county and his retinue to the *State mechanic institute*. Having arrived, his credentials are presented, and such other evidence as may be required, that he is a fit and worthy candidate, having passed through the ordeal necessary and proper to his qualification for admission. He is then received by the proprietor of the institute, and safely conducted to the stone mason's, sculptor's, or some other department, and there begins his new vocation of reducing the rough and unpolished marble to shape and fashion. The hands that are yet crimson with the blood of the unoffending, are made to ply the mallet and chisel, as did Socrates, the Grecian philosopher and statesman—perhaps, too, in the course of his servitude, with the same guilty hand, to engrave upon the tomb of the departed and illustrious dead the lines which are intended to indicate to the inquiring living their many virtues and exalted worth. And so, also, with all the other departments that are carried on in this institution. There might be similar illustrations made in reference to tailors, shoemakers, hatters, blacksmiths, wagon-makers, &c.

“The State, by the establishment of this institution, and the passage of laws to sustain it, gathers from every county in the State all the incorrigible offenders who are known to the law, and after collecting them within the walls of the penitentiary, embarks in all the branches of mechanism, and openly enters the field of competition with the mechanics of the country. The mechanics outside of the penitentiary are required, by all the obligations of good citizens, in peace as well as in war, to submit to taxation to sustain the government under which they may live, and at the same time compete with the State in their own branches of business. This policy of the State, in carrying on the branches of mechanism, and the employment of all the felons of the country at them, has a direct tendency to degrade the mechanics of the country as a body. Felon and mechanic, crime and mechanism, from their close association, become corresponding terms in the public mind. The felons, after having served out their time, are turned loose upon the country, to mix with the mechanics as best they may, and perchance to become inmates of their families, and companions in their shops. Is it right that this description of our population should be thrown upon, and associated with, the honest and industrious mechanics of the State, either in person or profession? There is an instinctive repugnance in the bosoms of all honorable men, and it is reduced to practice by nearly all those who have charge of our cemeteries, by excluding the felon from being asso-

ciated with us even in the grave. If it is degrading to be associated with a felon after we are dead, it must be much more so to be associated with them while we are living.

“In conclusion upon this subject, I must be permitted to make one earnest appeal, and that is, for the legislature to so direct the future management of the affairs of the Penitentiary, by their legislation, as to protect this large and respectable portion of our fellow-citizens from this degrading association and competition, by excluding, as far as possible, all the branches of mechanism from the Penitentiary.”

Since the sitting of the last Legislature, the Penitentiary has met with a serious accident, and a very heavy loss, by fire. On the 29th of March last, about 3 o'clock in the morning, the prison was discovered to be on fire in the north-east corner of the buildings; the flames spread with great rapidity in both directions, until all the inside buildings were nearly consumed, embracing the eastern end of the main front building, which contained one-half of the cells for the confinement of convicts at night. The most energetic efforts, as I am reliably advised, were made by the Keeper and other officers connected with the prison, as well as some of the fire companies of this city, to arrest the devouring element; but, from the great scarcity of water, and other means necessary in such an emergency, were found to be wholly unavailing. The prison was set on fire by means of a slow match, which had been constructed by two of the convicts the day before, and deposited by them in the north-east corner of the building, a short time before they were taken by their manager to their cells for confinement in the evening. The fire, which proceeded from this slow match, and which communicated to the building, was not discovered until 3 o'clock the next morning, as before stated. At an early hour after the buildings were consumed and lying in a pile of smoking ruins, the Inspectors of the Penitentiary, together with the Governor, had a consultation in reference to the most efficient steps necessary to be taken under the existing circumstances. The inside buildings were all burned down, or nearly so; half of the cells destroyed in the east end of the main building; tools of every description consumed, or so spoiled as to make them unfit for use. The convicts, two hundred and thirty-seven in number, were divided into different companies and were marched and counter-marched about in the yard, for the purpose of preventing mutiny or an outbreak—all of them without employment. With this state of facts before them, the Inspectors and the Governor at once determined that it would be best, in view of safety and economy, to proceed, without delay, to repair the buildings so that the convicts could be employed profitably, and made more secure at night. They, therefore, concluded to borrow a sufficient amount of money from the various banks of this city, upon their own credit and responsibility, to refit and repair the prison in such manner as might be considered absolutely necessary. This course was deemed by the

Governor the most efficient step that could be taken, because it dispensed with the necessity of convening the Legislature in extraordinary session, which would cause great delay before anything practicable could be done, leaving the whole Institution in a chaotic and unsafe condition. The Inspectors, by taking this course, have done all that the Legislature could have practically done in extra session, and by so doing have saved the expense of an extra session of the Legislature, which would have been much greater than the entire amount necessary to repair the Penitentiary.

The amount of money borrowed by the Inspectors from the various banks in this city, upon their own responsibility, and which has been applied to the refitting and repairing of the Penitentiary, is twenty thousand dollars. This sum, it is believed, has been profitably and economically applied to the purposes for which it was borrowed. A statement of the entire expense, giving all the items in detail, will be furnished by the Inspectors for your examination. For a more minute and detailed account of this whole affair, I refer you to the report of the Inspectors, which will be submitted to both branches of the Legislature, in a few days.

This heavy responsibility has been incurred by the Inspectors, and, by so doing, there has been saved to the State many thousands of dollars. It is, therefore, expected that the Legislature will take prompt and efficient action upon this subject, and relieve the Inspectors from the heavy responsibility which they have incurred for the refitting and repairing of the State prison.

AGRICULTURAL BUREAU.

The Legislature, at its last session, passed an act to establish a State Agricultural Bureau, with county and district societies subordinate thereto, &c. By this act, the Governor of the State was constituted President *ex-officio* of the Bureau. The Bureau was organized, according to law, on the 20th day of April, 1854. Full details of its action will be laid before you by the Secretary of the Bureau. From his report you will see that county societies have been chartered in seventeen counties; division Fairs were, last year, held in the Eastern and Middle Divisions of the State, and by the Sumner County Society, and that a new and beneficial interest has been awakened on the subject of agricultural improvements. Division Fairs, will, this year, be held in each division of the State, and the Biennial State Fair is now in progress near Nashville, under your own immediate inspection. The Agricultural interest has always been, and will probably long continue to be, the leading interest of Tennessee. It is wise and proper that it should be fostered and encouraged by the Legislature, by all reasonable and legitimate means. I am of opinion that the law of 1854 was a wise and salutary step in the progress of Agricultural and Mechanical improvement and reform. Some slight modifications of the details of the law have been found necessary, not conflicting with its gen-

eral scope and plan, to render it efficient in its practical operations. A committee of the Bureau, after its Biennial meeting on the second Monday in October, will suggest such modifications as may be thought advisable; and I doubt not that such suggestions will receive your careful consideration. Nature has been prodigal in her gifts to our State, and the Representatives of the people can render no service of greater value to their constituents, than by affording a judicious encouragement to associations having for their object the development of the agricultural and mineral wealth of the State, and stimulating the mechanical skill and industry of its citizens. When our people learn that the necessity for labor is a blessing, rather than a curse; that "he who causes two blades of grass to grow, where but one grew before, is a greater public benefactor than he who conquers armies;" and that honor, fame and fortune may be as certainly earned in the workshop of the artisan, as in the offices of the learned professions, and as freely accorded by the public sense to the former as to the latter, then we shall have lived down an obstacle in the way of State progress, as absurd as it is injurious.

In bringing this communication to a close, I cannot forbear expressing with you, and, I hope, the whole country, heartfelt gratulations that all the elements of prosperity, designed to make a people great, contented and happy, continue to exist in our favored land. Every branch of industry has been amply rewarded. Our fields have teemed with rich and abundant crops, yielding plenty of all that is needful for man and beast. Our various works of internal improvement are steadily and constantly advancing by the timely and judicious aid of the State, developing our hitherto hidden and latent resources, and bearing off to the markets of the world, at cheap rates, the mechanical, agricultural, and other products of the country. Education has also received an impulse by legislation which, it is hoped, will be continued, and carried out, and cause our State ultimately to take a position upon this subject not inferior to that of any State in the Union. Under a beneficent and overruling Providence, we are still permitted to enjoy that sacred and greatest of all privileges, relating to man in social life, civil and religious liberty; making this one of the freest and happiest forms of government on the earth's broad surface. An efficient and pure administration of the laws, by all the departments of the government, Executive, Judicial and Legislative, together with a short session of the Legislature, and the enactment of necessary, wise and wholesome laws, will also add to the many blessings which have been bestowed upon our favored people, and will meet with their hearty approval, irrespective of parties, throughout the State.

ANDREW JOHNSON.

Mr. Galbreath moved

That the Message be laid on the table, and that 5,000 copies be printed for the use of the House.

Mr. Nixon moved

To amend by inserting 7,000 copies ;

Which was accepted, and the amended motion passed.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, moved

That the various portions of the Message be referred to the appropriate committees ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Davie moved

That the House adjourn till 10 o'clock, to-morrow.

TUESDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 9, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Petitions and memorials being in order, the following were presented and read :

A Petition, No. 2, presented by Mr. Harris,

From sundry citizens of Washington county, in regard to the grave of Abel Wiley ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

A Petition, No. 3, presented by Mr. Carlock,

From sundry citizens of Monroe county, praying for a change of the line between the counties of McMinn and Monroe.

Mr. Brien introduced Bill, No. 8,

To amend the act of 1854, chapter 320, section 7;

Which was read the first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Brien introduced Bill, No. 9, entitled

An act to reduce county expenses ;

Bill passed first reading, and referred to Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Brien introduced Bill, No. 10, entitled

An act to amend the criminal laws of this State, in relation to costs ;

Which was read first time and passed, and referred to Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Richey introduced a Bill, No. 11, entitled

An act to regulate the system of roads ;

Which was read first time, passed, and referred to Committee on Public Roads.

Mr. Newman introduced a Bill, No. 12, entitled

An act for the benefit of Wm. J. Faris;

Which was read first time, passed, and referred to Committee on Claims.

Mr. Colquet introduced Bill, No. 13, entitled

A bill for the reduction of county Clerks' fees;

Which was read first time and passed, and referred to Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Carlock introduced Bill, No. 14, entitled

A bill to alter the line between the counties of McMinn and Monroe;

Which was read first time and passed, and referred to Committee on new counties and county lines.

Mr. Cavitt introduced Bill, No. 15, entitled

A bill for the benefit of administrators and guardians;

Which was read first time, passed, and referred to Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Looney introduced Bill, No. 16, entitled

An act to regulate and establish uniform rules of costs, and for other purposes;

Which was read first time, passed, and referred to Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Ball introduced Bill, No. 17, entitled

A bill to change the time of holding the Circuit Courts of the counties of Hancock and Hawkins;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. Harris introduced Bill, No. 18, entitled

A bill directory to the Circuit Court of Washington county;

Which was read first time and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Donelson, upon desire of the Speaker, took the Chair.

Mr. Brown, of Davidson, introduced Bill, No. 19, entitled

A bill to authorize the endorsement by the Governor of ninety-five duplicate bonds for the Nashville and Chattanooga Railroad Company;

Which was read first time, passed, and referred to Judiciary Committee.

The Speaker read a communication from the President of the Bank of Tennessee, transmitting the report of the President and Directors of the Bank of Tennessee, to the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee.

The Report was laid on the table, and

On motion of Mr. Newman,

Five hundred copies were ordered to be printed for the benefit of the House.

Mr. Galbreath introduced Bill, No. 20, entitled

An act to abolish the office of entry taker;

Which was read first time, passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Cavitt introduced Resolution, No. 20, as follows :

Resolved, That there be constituted by the House a Standing Committee to consist of five members, to be known as the Committee on Incorporations, whose duty it shall be to report on such Bills on that subject as may be referred to them ;

The rule was suspended and the Resolution adopted.

Mr. Brien moved

That Bill, No. 1, be taken up ;

Which was done, and the bill read a second time.

Mr. Nixon moved

That Bill, No. 1, be laid upon the table, and seventy-five copies ordered to be printed for the use of the House ;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Looney,

The House adjourned until half-past 2 o'clock this evening.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Snodgrass introduced Bill, No. 21, entitled

A bill giving further time to perfect titles to land in this State ;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. Cook introduced Bill, No. 22, entitled

An act to repeal the act of February 12, 1852, called An act to authorize and regulate the business of banking ;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. Hatton, Chairman of Committee on Rules, presented the report of the committee, and submitted the Rules and Orders to the House.

The rules, as presented by the committee, were adopted by the House.

Mr. Bullen introduced Resolution, No. 22, as follows :

Resolved, That seventy-five copies of the Rules of this House be printed for the use of the House, together with the Constitution of the State and the United States.

Mr. Travis moved

To strike out seventy-five, and insert in its place one hundred and fifty, and that the Standing Committees be added.

Rule suspended, and the resolution, as amended, was adopted.

Mr. Hatton moved

A reconsideration of the vote ordering the printing of the rules.

Mr. Nixon moved

To amend Resolution, No. 22, so as to include the joint rules for the government of conferences between the Senate and House of Representatives when they shall have been adopted by the House.

The resolution, as thus amended, was adopted.

Mr. Tompkins moved

That Mr. Runnels be added to the Committee on Tippling and Tippling Houses ;

Which was ordered.

Mr. Mabry moved

That Mr. Pope be added to the Committee on New Counties and County Lines ;

Which was ordered.

Mr. Holmes introduced Resolution, No. 21, as follows :

Resolved, That all bills and documents ordered to be printed by this House, be delivered to the Principal Clerk before distribution by the Doorkeeper among the members, and that the Printer shall be paid for those only so delivered and certified to by the Clerk.

Laid over.

On motion,

Messrs. Myatt and Northcutt were added to the Committee on New Counties and County Lines.

On motion,

Messrs. Mabry and Snodgrass were added to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Holmes introduced Bill No. 23, entitled

A bill to allow interchange of Judges and Chancellors ;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, moved

To take up bills on second reading ;

Which was done.

Bill, No. 2, was read the second time, and referred to the Committee on New Counties and County Lines.

Bill, No. 3, was taken up, read the second time, and, on motion of Mr. Looney, was so amended as to include provision for the Clerks who assisted in organizing the House.

And as amended, passed.

Mr. Cavitt introduced Resolution, No. 23, as follows :

Resolved, That, when not otherwise ordered, this House shall convene at half past nine, in the forenoon ; half-past two o'clock in the afternoon.

The rule being suspended, the House refused to adopt the resolution.

Mr. Donelson, on behalf of the President and Directors of the Agricultural Bureau for the Middle Division Fair, to be held at Gallatin, on Monday next, extended an invitation for members of the House of Representatives to be present.

On motion of Mr. Cavitt,

The House accepted the invitation, and

On motion of Mr. Mathis,

The House returned its thanks for the courteous invitation.

Bill No. 6 was taken up, read the second time, and passed.

Mr. DeWitt introduced Bill, No. 24, entitled

An act to give grand juries inquisitorial power in all cases.

Read the first time, passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The Speaker appointed the following Committee on Incorporations, as provided in Resolution, No. 20, viz:

Messrs. Cavitt, Holmes, Dunnington, Burch and Tipton.

On motion of Mr. Nixon,

The House adjourned until 10 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 10, 1855

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. John Rains.

Mr. Hatton reported, from Committee on Joint Rules for the government of conferences between the two Houses.

The House received and adopted the report.

Mr. Cox presented the Report of the Treasurer of the State;

Which, on motion of Mr. Harris,

Was laid on the table, and five hundred copies ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

Mr. Burch introduced an amendment to the Rules of the House, which the House refused to adopt, as follows:

27. Upon the adjournment of the House every member shall stand in his place until the Speaker shall have passed without the bar of the House.

Mr. Cavitt introduced Resolution, No. 24, as follows:

Resolved, That the Principal Clerk of the House be authorized and requested to furnish this House at the beginning of each week with a Calendar of the Order of Business.

Rule suspended and resolution adopted.

Mr. Brien introduced Bill, No. 25, entitled

A bill to reduce the Circuit Courts to two terms in lieu of three;

Which was read the first time, passed, and referred to Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Donelson introduced Resolution, No. 25, as follows:

Resolved, That the Senate and House of Representatives accept the invitation of the President and Directors of the Sumner Agricultural and Mechanical Association, to attend the Annual

Fair, commencing on Monday, the 15th of October, 1855, in connection with which the Division Fair, for the Middle Division of Tennessee will be held; and that upon the adjournment on Saturday, the Legislature stand adjourned until Wednesday morning, 10 o'clock.

Upon which Mr. Brien demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes.—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Cavitt, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Hatton, Holmes, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Runnels, Shemwell, Stovall, Temple, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, and Wood of Cannon—24.

Noes.—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, DeWitt, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—43.

Mr. Dunnington introduced Resolution, No. 26, as follows :

Resolved, That the Speaker of this House appoint a committee of twelve, consisting of four members from each grand division of the State, to attend the State Agricultural Fair for the middle division of Tennessee.

Rule suspended, and the resolution adopted.

Mr. Cook introduced Bill, No. 26, entitled

An act to amend the act of 1835, chapter 6, section 8, designating the appointment, pay, &c., of jurors ;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Tipton introduced Bill, No. 27, entitled

A bill to repeal the proviso to the third section of an act passed February 10, 1854, chapter 105 ;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Massengill introduced Bill, No. 28, entitled

A bill to amend the school laws of this State ;

Which was read the first time and passed, and referred to the Committee on Common Schools.

Mr. Davie introduced Bill, No. 29, entitled

A bill in relation to Tobacco Inspectors, &c. ;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Harris introduced Bill, No. 30, entitled

A bill to repeal so much of the act of 1853-4, chapter 294, as gives to said companies, therein specified, banking privileges ;

Which was read the first time, passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Tipton introduced Bill, No. 31, entitled

A bill giving Presley Carden further time to finish his turnpike road ;

Which was read the first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

That Mr. Colquet be added to the Committee on Internal Improvements ;

Which was ordered.

On motion,

Mr. Richey was added to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

On motion,

Mr. Parks was added to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. White introduced Bill, No. 32, entitled

An act to incorporate the Knoxville Building and Loan Association ;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, introduced Bill, No. 33, entitled

A bill to provide for the election of Tax Collectors by the people ;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Thomas introduced Bill, No. 34, entitled

An act to incorporate the Clislean Society of the Baptist Female College, Brownsville, Tennessee ;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. Stovall introduced Bill, No. 35, entitled

An act to repeal the act declaring the north fork of Obion River navigable ;

Which was read first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Meek introduced Bill, No. 36, entitled

A bill prescribing the duties of Magistrates, and providing for their compensation ;

Which was read first time, passed, and referred to Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Holmes called up Resolution, No. 21 ;

Which was adopted.

On motion,

Mr. Stovall was added to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

On motion of Mr. Brien,

The House adjourned until half past 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Mr. Snodgrass introduced Bill, No. 37, entitled

A bill to repeal the three first section of an act passed February 20, 1854, entitled an act prescribing the duties of Registers, and for other purposes ;

Read first time and passed.

Mr. Brien, from Judiciary Committee,

Reported on Bill, No. 8, and recommended its adoption ;

And, the bill being read the second time, passed.

Mr. Brien, from same committee,

Recommended the rejection of Bill, No. 15 ;

The bill was taken up, and indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Mabry moved

A reconsideration of the vote indefinitely postponing Bill, No. 15.

Motion laid over.

Mr. Brien, from same committee, recommended the rejection of Bill, No. 5.

Mr. Kinney, by permission, withdrew Bill, No. 5, for amendment.

Mr. Brien, from same committee, recommended the passage of Bill, No. 19.

Mr. Brien, on part of same committee, offered a Bill in lieu of Bill, No. 15 ;

Which report was adopted, and the Bill in lieu passed its second reading.

On motion of Mr. Dortch,

Members were excused from presenting their certificates of election.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, introduced a Bill, No. 38, entitled

A bill to amend an act. entitled an act to enable all persons charged with the assets of an estate, to have the evidences of payment by them perpetuated, and for other purposes ;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Wallace introduced Bill, No. 39, entitled

An act to change the name of Sampson Stuart ;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Kinney introduced Bill, No. 40, entitled

An act to incorporate the Methodist Church at Carter Station Camp Ground, in Green county, Tennessee ;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Dunnington introduced Resolution, No. 27, as follows :

Resolved, That the State Librarian be required to proceed immediately to arrange the same according to the requirements of the act of 1853-4, chapter 41, and report to this body why the same has not been done before.

The rules were suspended and the Resolution adopted.

Mr. Whiteside introduced Bill, No. 41, entitled

A bill to regulate the appointment of Attorneys General *pro tem.* ;
Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Bullen moved

To take up Bill, No. 6 ;

Which being amended, was passed on its third reading.

Bill, No. 7, was taken up.

Mr. Holmes moved

To strike out all after "of" in first section, and insert "a majority of all the votes cast ;"

The bill was laid upon the table.

Bills, No. 17, 21, 22 and 23 were passed on second reading.

The Speaker appointed as committee under Resolution, No. 25, the following gentlemen :

Messrs. Wilson of Marshall, Parks, Meek, Donelson, Davie, Dortch, Holmes, Stovall, Ball, Welcker, and Campbell.

Mr. Fielder introduced Bill, No. 42, entitled

An act to amend an act entitled An act to clean out the drift in the mouth of the Forked Deer River ;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Bill, No. 3, for the benefit of G. W. Turk and others,

Was taken up and passed unanimously upon its third reading, and ordered to be transmitted at once to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Travis,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Nixon, from the Committee on Claims, reported an amendment to Bill, No. 18, and recommended its passage ;

The House concurred in the amendment, and the Bill was passed upon its second reading.

Mr. Nixon, from same committee, reported an amendment to Bill, No. 12, and recommended the passage of the Bill ;

The House concurred in the amendment, and the Bill passed upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. Harris,

The House took recess preparatory to meeting the Senate to compare the votes cast in the recent election for Governor.

A Message, No 4, was received from the Senate by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the

Senate is now ready to meet in Convention to dispose of the business set for this day.

The House was called to order, and the Senate received.

Upon which they went into convention.

The Senate and House of Representatives having met in convention,

The Speaker of the Senate announced the object of said convention, and put the question :

Shall the convention proceed to compare the votes cast for Governor at the recent election ?

Which was determined in the affirmative.

The Resolution requiring the two Houses to meet in convention being read,

On motion of Mr. Hall. of the Senate,

The following gentlemen were appointed, by the President of the convention, a committee to compare the votes cast for Governor at the recent election, as follows :

Messrs. Hall, Whitthorne, Bullen, Bobo and Cook.

The committee, in the presence of the convention, having discharged their duty, reported as follows :

<i>Counties</i>	<i>Andrew Johnson.</i>	<i>Meredith P. Gentry.</i>	<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Andrew Johnson.</i>	<i>Meredith P. Gentry.</i>
Anderson,	333	772	Polk, - - -	676	385
Bledsoe, -	361	404	Rhea, - - -	415	298
Blunt, - -	789	1069	Roane, - - -	769	1002
Bradley, -	1021	644	Sevier, - - -	120	964
Campbell,	383	507	Scott, - - -	259	121
Carter, - -	238	768	Sullivan, -	1403	601
Claiborne, -	744	756	Washington,	1338	847
Cocke, - -	422	929	Bedford, -	1293	1630
Grainger, -	621	1327	Cannon, -	859	458
Green, - -	1985	989	Coffee, - - -	880	294
Hawkins, -	1158	887	Davidson, -	1783	3132
Hamilton, -	1044	966	DeKalb, -	738	560
Hancock, -	589	264	Dickson, -	745	388
Jefferson, -	444	1697	Fentress, -	616	129
Johnson, -	215	400	Franklin, -	1302	394
Knox, - -	695	2560	Giles, - - -	1439	1312
McMinn, -	953	909	Grundy, - -	425	22
Meigs, - -	588	97	Hardin, - - -	775	745
Marion, -	468	554	Hickman, -	1053	223
Monroe, -	1005	851	Humphreys,	543	354
Morgan, -	358	219	Jackson, -	1131	1122

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Andrew Johnson.</i>	<i>Meredith P. Gentry.</i>	<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Andrew Johnson.</i>	<i>Meredith P. Gentry.</i>
Lawrence, - -	845	524	Benton, - -	453	475
Lewis, - -	243	34	Carroll, - -	694	1567
Lincoln, - -	2521	402	Decatur, - -	429	353
Maury, - -	1793	1444	Dyer, - -	483	442
Montgomery,	881	1502	Fayette, -	940	1151
Marshall, -	1310	678	Gibson, - -	1213	1618
Macon, - -	424	540	Hardeman, -	1123	619
Overton, -	1528	290	Henderson, -	734	1230
Robertson, -	804	1256	Henry, - -	1738	871
Rutherford,	1288	1435	Haywood, - -	762	803
Smith, - -	644	1572	Lauderdale, -	297	354
Stewart, -	785	563	McNairy, - -	1059	915
Sumner, -	1740	780	Madison, -	788	1448
Van Buren,	228	90	Obion, - -	865	407
Warren, -	1153	393	Perry, - - -	450	320
Wayne, - -	535	687	Shelby, - -	1477	1831
White, - -	694	978	Tipton, -	566	424
Williamson,	688	1621	Weakley,	1411	885
Wilson, -	937	2290			
Total				67,499	65,343

Majority for Johnson, 2,157.

Whereupon, the President of the Convention declared Andrew Johnson duly and constitutionally elected Governor of Tennessee for the two years next ensuing.

The Convention having discharged the duty which had caused it to assemble, was dissolved.

The Senate withdrew to their chamber, and, on motion,

The House adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, introduced Resolution, No. 28, as follows:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to act with such a committee as may be appointed by the Senate, to wait upon his Excellency Governor Andrew Johnson, and inform him of his

re-election as Governor of the State of Tennessee for the next ensuing two years, and that they enquire his will and pleasure as to the time of inauguration, and report to this House.

The rule was suspended and the resolution adopted.

Mr. Cook introduced Bill, No. 43, entitled

An act to guard against accidents upon Railroads, and to protect the lives and property of citizens ;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, introduced Bill, No. 44, entitled

A bill to amend the second section of an act passed 8th February, 1854, entitled An act to amend an act passed 11th February, 1852, entitled An act to establish a system of Internal Improvements in this State ;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. Brien introduced Bill, No. 45, entitled

A bill to secure the completion of the McMinnville and Smithville Turnpike Road ;

Which was read first time, passed, and referred to Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Carlock introduced Bill, No. 46, entitled

A bill to amend the attachment laws of this State ;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. Brien introduced Bill, No. 47, entitled

A bill to abolish chancery courts ;

Which was read first time and passed, and, on motion, laid on the table, and seventy-five copies ordered to be printed.

The Speaker appointed Mr. Wood, of Cannon, Bullen, and Brown of Madison, as the committee called for by Resolution No 28.

Mr. Cavitt introduced Bill, No. 48, entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the Nashville and North Western Railroad Company, and to transfer a portion of its State aid to the Memphis and Ohio Railroad Company ;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. Rudd introduced Bill, No. 49, entitled

A bill to regulate the selection of jurors ;

Which was read first time, passed, and referred to Judiciary Committee.

A Message, No. 5, was received from the Senate by Mr. Walker, their Clerk.

MR. SPEAKER :

I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the following Resolution, No. 19, has been adopted by the Senate :

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed on the part of the Senate to join such committee as may be appointed by the House of Representatives, to notify Gov. Johnson of his re-election, and request him to indicate some day when it will suit his convenience to be inaugurated.

And the Speaker of the Senate has appointed Messrs. Carter, Ballow, and Brown, said committee on the part of the Senate.

Mr. Cox introduced Bill, No. 50, entitled

An act to incorporate the Nashville Academy of Music and Fine Arts ;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. Parks introduced Bill, No. 51, entitled

A bill conferring additional power on the Mobile and Ohio Railroad Company to borrow money ;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. Newman introduced Bill, No. 52, entitled

A bill making persons composing incorporated companies liable for the debts of the same ;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. Pope introduced Bill, No. 53, entitled

A bill to attach portions of Bledsoe and Marion counties to the county of Hamilton ;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. Davie, introduced Bill, No. 54, entitled

An act to charter the Bank of America ;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. Wallace introduced Bill, No. 55, entitled

An act to increase the fees of witnesses ;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. Harris reported that Bills, No. 5 and 6 were correctly engrossed.

Mr. Thomas moved

To add Messrs. White, of Knox, Hatton, Parks, Ward, Cook, Armstrong, Meek, Temple, and Watkins, to the committee to visit the Division Fair at Gallatin.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To amend by adding all the members of the House ;

The amendment was rejected, and

On motion of Mr. Tipton,

The motion laid on the table.

Mr. Galbreath introduced Resolution, No. 29, as follows :

Whereas, It is the duty and policy of every wise government to encourage and improve the mechanic arts by all the means within its power ; and, whereas, the present system of Penitentiary labor is eminently calculated to inflict serious pecuniary injury upon a large and highly industrious portion of the community by creating competition between the mechanic and the convicts in the Penitentiary, and also tends to degrade labor and to discourage the mechanic arts, and is, therefore, a subject of well grounded complaint, operating as it does as a sore grievance upon that numerous and highly valuable portion of our citizens who contribute so much to the well-being and strength of the State : Therefore,

Resolved, That it is the true policy of the State not to permit the labors of the convicts in the Penitentiary to be brought into competition with that of the mechanics of the State.

Resolved, That the Committee on the Penitentiary be instructed to inquire into the expediency and necessity of so changing the present system of Penitentiary labor as to remedy existing evils and to prevent the convicts from being taught mechanic trades.

Resolved, That the Committee be instructed to inquire whether the making of railroad iron, the manufactory of bagging and rope, or the working on public roads might not be profitably and advantageously substituted for the present system of labor, and that the Committee report by bill or otherwise.

The rules were suspended in regard to Resolutions, and the Resolution was adopted.

Bill, No. 7, was taken up and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Travis introduced Resolution, No. 30, as follows :

Resolved by the General Assembly of Tennessee, That principles contained in the Nebraska and Kansas Bill, as passed by the Congress of the United States, meet our hearty approval, and our Senators in Congress are hereby instructed, and our Representatives requested to use all honorable means in their power to prevent the repeal of the same, or the restoration of the Missouri Compromise ;

Rules suspended, and Resolution referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, introduced the following as an amendment to the rules adopted by the House, viz :

That every joint resolution or bill presented to this House to amend, alter, or repeal any joint resolution, or act, or part thereof, shall set out at length the title of the joint resolution or act proposed to be amended, altered, or repealed.

The rules were suspended and the amendment above recited was adopted by the House as one of its rules, and ordered to be printed with them, under the title of Bills and Acts.

On motion of Mr. Cavitt,

The House adjourned until 9½ o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 12, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. John Rains.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, introduced Bill, No. 56, entitled

A bill to repeal the Tippling Law ;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. Smith introduced Bill, No. 56½,

To repeal the Tippling Laws, and to regulate the making and sale of ardent spirits.

Passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Tippling and Tippling Houses.

Mr. Ward introduced Bill, No. 57, entitled

A bill to authorize the taking of the depositions of practicing physicians ;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. Cloud introduced Bill, No. 58, entitled

A bill to increase the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace ;

Which was read first time, passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Temple introduced Bill, No. 59, entitled

A bill to repeal the eighth section of the act of 1829, chap. 38, and to provide for the election of Agent of the Penitentiary of Tennessee.

Read the first time, passed, and referred to Committee on the Penitentiary.

Mr. Temple introduced the report of the State Librarian ;

Which was received, read, and was as follows :

To the Speaker and members of the House of Representatives :

Gentlemen : I have just received a copy of Resolution, No. 27, adopted by the House of Representatives on yesterday, by which I am required to proceed immediately to arrange the Library according to the requirements of the act of 1853-4, chap. 41, and to report why the same has not been done before. In reply to the interrogative portion of the resolution, I would respectfully report that the apartment of the State Capitol designed for the Library, was not fully completed until a few days before the meeting of the present General Assembly, and of course could not be subject to my control for any purpose. It was used during the whole time, and is still used to a certain extent, as a place for the safe deposit of various materials used in the construction of the Capitol, and could not very conveniently be dispensed with for that purpose. The workmen were obliged to have free access to it at all times until finished, and thus placed it out of my power to control the keys ; and without its entire abandonment by the builders in an unfinished condition, I could not have put up even a temporary structure for the reception of the books. But even if the library apartment had been fully completed and in due time, there was no fund placed at my disposal adequate to the fitting it up in a style of elegance and durability consonant with the other parts of the building. I have had frequent conversations with some of the Commissioners in relation to the fitting up of the Library, and was led to believe they would have it completed as speedily as a work of such magnitude could be accomplished. I learn from them now

that the plan of the work has been adopted, and a portion of it in a state of progress; and that in the course of a few months the whole work will be completed. As a matter of security, the books and papers belonging to the State have been taken from the old Library Room, and deposited in the room in the Capitol appropriated to the archives of the State. The books will there be safe from destruction and spoliation, but comparatively useless until properly arranged. Until the apartment designed as a Library was finished and surrendered by the Commissioners, I could not practically discharge the duties assigned the Librarian by law, except the removal of the books; nor do I consider myself entitled to any portion of the salary allowed by law for the performance of those duties.

Respectfully submitted.

W. B. A. RAMSEY,
State Librarian.

Bill, No. 19, being taken up, it was read the second time and passed.

Mr. Cavitt introduced Resolution, No. 31;

Which, the rule having been suspended, was adopted, as follows:

Resolved, That the House authorize the printing of three hundred copies of the Catalogue which has been prepared by the Doorkeeper.

Mr. Hatton introduced Bill, No. 60, entitled

A bill to amend An act entitled An act to amend the law in relation to the taking of depositions;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Carlock introduced Bill, No. 61, entitled

A bill for the benefit of Columbia Academy in McMinn county;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Colquet introduced Bill, No. 62, entitled

A bill to be entitled An act prohibiting acting Justices of the Peace from serving on the grand juries of the State;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Cook asked leave to substitute a bill in lieu of Bill, No. 26,

Which was granted by the House.

The substituted bill passed its second reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, moved

To take up bills on their second reading, and proceed regularly with the calendar.

The motion prevailed.

Bill, No. 27, taken up and referred to Judiciary Committee.

Bill, No. 29, referred to Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures.

Bill, No. 32, referred to Committee on Incorporations.

Bill, No. 33, referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Bill, No. 34, passed second reading.

Bill, No. 37, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, from the Committee to wait on the Governor, reported that His Excellency had designated Thursday, the 18th instant, as the time for his inauguration.

The report was accepted by the House, and its action concurred in.

Mr. Dunnington moved

That a committee of three be appointed to confer with a similar committee on the part of the Senate, in regard to arrangements place, &c., for the ceremony of inauguration.

The motion prevailed, and the Speaker appointed Messrs. Dunnington, Cavitt, and Armstrong, committee.

Mr. Kinney was permitted to withdraw Bill, No. 38, for amendment.

Bill, No. 39, was taken up.

Mr. Brien proposed its indefinite postponement.

Motion, lost, and bill passed its second reading.

Bill, No. 40, passed its second reading.

Bill, No. 41, passed second reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Bill, No. 42, was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Bill, No. 43, was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Bill, No. 44, was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Bill, No. 46, was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Bill, No. 48, was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Brien moved

To add Mr. Cook to the Judiciary Committee ;

Which motion prevailed, and the addition was ordered.

Mr. Cox moved

To add Mr. Meek to same Committee ;

Which was agreed to, and Mr. Meek added.

Bill, No. 50, was taken up, read the second time and passed.

Bill, No. 51, was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Bill, No. 52, was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Bill, No. 53, was taken up.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

To lay it on the table ;

Which motion failed, and the bill passed its second reading.

Bill No. 54, was referred to Committee on Banks.

Bill No. 55, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Ball moved

To add Mr. Kinney to the Committee on Internal Improvements ;

Which motion prevailed, and Mr. Kinney was added.

Mr. Cook introduced Bill, No. 63, entitled

A bill to be entitled An act to tax tracts of land divided by a

county line, in the county where the residence of the owner is situated ;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Bill, No. 18, was taken up.

Mr. Nixon moved

To amend by striking out seventy-five dollars and inserting one hundred dollars ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Nixon moved

Further to amend by inserting one hundred and fifty dollars in place of one hundred dollars.

Mr. Gleaves moved

To amend by inserting two hundred dollars in place of one hundred and fifty.

Pending which,

Mr. Brien moved to adjourn until 9½ o'clock to-morrow morning, to enable committees to discharge their duties.

The motion was lost, and

On motion of Mr. Wilson, of Marshall,

The House adjourned till 3 o'clock, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment,
And proceeded to dispose of the unfinished business of the morning session ;

Which was Bill, No. 18, as amended by Mr. Gleaves.

Mr. Gleaves' amendment was adopted, and the bill passed its third reading.

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Galloway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—66.

Noes—Messrs. Brien, Little, and Welcker—3.

The bill having passed its third reading, it was,

On motion,

Ordered by the House to be transmitted at once to the Senate.

Mr. Gilbert introduced Bill, No. 64, entitled

A bill to regulate the tax of slaves ;

Which was read first time, passed, and referred to Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Cavitt introduced Bill, No. 65, entitled

A bill to enforce the laws of this State ;

Which was read first time, passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Hatton introduced Bill, No. 66, entitled

A bill to change the manner of holding elections in the city of Nashville ;

Which was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Elections.

Mr. Pogue introduced Resolution, No. 32.

Rule was suspended, and the resolution referred to the Committee on Claims.

The resolution is as follows :

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That the Comptroller of the Treasury issue his warrant to the trustees of Wayne county, in pursuance of Resolution, No. 8, passed at the last session of the Legislature, for twenty-two hundred and fifty dollars and thirty-nine cents, said amount to be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

A Message, No. 6, was received from the Senate by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER :

I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the following Resolution, No. 19, has been passed by the Senate :

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed by the Senate to act with such committee as may be appointed by the House, to make the necessary arrangements for the inauguration of the Governor elect, and invite the ministers of the gospel to officiate on the occasion.

The Speaker has appointed Messrs. Head, Caldwell, and Whitthorne, said committee on the part of the Senate.

The House concurred in Senate resolution.

House Bill, No. 8, taken up, read the third time, and laid on the table.

House Bill, No. 12, read the third time and passed, with the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Lit-

tle, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—68.

Noes—None.

Committee on Enrolled Bills reported Bill, No. 18, correctly engrossed.

Mr. Harris moved

That the Clerk be directed to transmit the bill and memorial to the Senate without delay ;

Which was ordered by the House.

House Bill, No. 13, was taken up and passed on its third reading, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Brazelton, Brien, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Little, Looney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—49.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carmichael, Cloud, Harris, Holmes, Kinney, Mabry, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Thomas, Ward, Welcker, and White—19.

Mr. Runnels introduced Bill, No. 67, entitled

A bill to suppress intemperance ;

Which was read first time, passed, and was referred to the Committee on Tippling and Tippling Houses.

Mr. Davie introduced Bill, No. 68, entitled

An act to amend the free banking law ;

Which was read the first time, passed, and referred to Committee on Banks.

Mr. Easterly was granted leave of absence on account of ill health.

Bill, No. 17, on third reading was passed.

Bill, No. 21, on third reading was passed.

Bill, No. 23, on third reading, was passed.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, moved that Tuesday the 23rd inst., be selected for the inauguration, instead of Thursday the 18th inst.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Dortch moved

That during the absence of the committee appointed to attend the Division Fair at Gallatin, no business of a general character, by bill, resolution, or otherwise, should be finally transacted by the House ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Gilbert introduced Bill, No. 69, entitled

A bill for the benefit of James McGhie ;

Read first time, passed, and referred to Committee on Claims.

Mr. Ball introduced Resolution, No. 31, as follows :

Whereas, The Legislature of Tennessee, at its session in 1835-6, created the office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, and made said officer one of the State Board of Common School Commissioners, and whose duty it was to collect and apply the outstanding claims and debts that were due the school fund of the State : And whereas, at a subsequent session of the Legislature it was alleged that the said Superintendent was a defaulter, and the said office of Superintendent was discontinued : And whereas, many of our sister States having created the office of Superintendent of Common Schools, and through their agency the Common School system is flourishing in a pre-eminent degree. And whereas, the Common School Fund of this State having within the last few years been largely increased, and it being the duty of every State so to guard the Common School system that they may be made as efficient as possible : Therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Committee on Education and Common Schools be requested to enquire into the expediency and propriety of creating the office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, whose duty it shall be to give such aid and information to County and District Commissioners as will the better enable them to discharge the several duties incumbent upon them as such, and that said Committee be instructed to report by bill or otherwise.

Rule suspended and the resolution referred to the Committee on Common Schools.

On motion of Mr. Stovall,

The House adjourned till half past 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 13, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Richey presented a petition from sixty citizens of Bradley county, to divide the third civil district of said county ;

Which was read and referred to the Committee on New Counties and County Lines.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, introduced Resolution, No. 33, as follows :

Whereas, Felix J. Pavatt, the member elect to this House from

the counties of Perry and Decatur, has departed this life : Therefore,

Resolved, That the seat of the member of this House of Representatives of the present General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, for the counties of Perry and Decatur, is hereby declared vacant.

Resolved, further, That the Clerk of this House transmit a copy of this resolution to His Excellency, the Governor of the State.

Rule was suspended and the resolution adopted.

Mr. Harris introduced Resolution, No. 34, as follows :

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That the Attorney General of the State be instructed to take legal proceedings against the Eastern Division Mining Company, and against the Southern Mining Company, and compel said companies to show by what authority they exercise the privilege of banking ; and that said attorney be instructed to summons any or all the members of the Legislature of 1853-4, as to the fraud in obtaining said privilege.

The rule was suspended, and Mr. Dortch moved

To lay the resolution on the table ;

Which motion failed ; and on motion of Mr. Hatton,

The resolution was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Meek introduced Bill, No. 70, entitled

A bill to ascertain the will of the people of Tennessee in regard to the restraint of the sale of spirituous liquors ;

Which was read the first time and passed ; and

On motion of Mr. Harris, was referred to the Committee on Tippling and Tippling Houses.

Mr. Hatton introduced Bill, No. 71, entitled

A bill to authorize the appointment of deputies by the Clerks of the various Courts in this State ;

Which was read the first time and passed ; and on motion, was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, introduced Bill, No. 72, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled An act to incorporate the Mississippi Central and Tennessee Railroad Company ;

Which was read the first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Cavitt introduced Bill No. 73, entitled

A bill for the benefit of litigants ;

Which was read the first time, and passed ; and on motion of Mr. Cavitt, was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Kinney introduced Resolution, No. 35, as follows :

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That the Secretary of State be directed to purchase a sufficient number of copies of the laws of this State to furnish to each Justice of the Peace, and any other officer of this State entitled thereto, who has not been supplied ; and that the Secretary of State be directed to contract for distribution of the same in such manner

as shall be most to the interest of the State; and that the same be distributed and furnished said officers at the same time the Acts and Journals of the present session are distributed, provided said laws can be obtained at usual cost.

Resolved, That it shall be the duty of the above named officers, when going out of office, to hand over to the County Court Clerks of their respective counties the copies in their hands; and that it shall be the duty of the County Court Clerks in the different counties in this State, when said copies are wanted, to certify to the said Secretary the number of said deficiency.

Rule suspended, and the resolution adopted.

Mr. Watkins introduced a communication from the Sheriff of Giles county, as follows:

I do certify that at a popular election, held according to law, at the respective election grounds in all the districts in Giles county, on the second day of August, 1855, for Governor of Tennessee, Andrew Johnson received 1439, and M. P. Gentry received 1302 votes. The above is the correct return of the vote for Governor in Giles county. There is an error in the first return made and directed to the Speaker of the Senate. There is in said return allowed and added to Mr. Gentry's vote 110 votes, in the return from the 15th district, when it should be and is only 100 votes. The error was pointed out by the returning officer of said district since the return was mailed and directed as aforesaid. The first naught being blotched, was put down as one, &c., and was by me counted as one by reference to the vote of other candidates running on the same ticket; they received at said precinct 100 and 101 votes.

GEORGE W. PITTS,
Sheriff of Giles County.

August 25th, 1855.

The above communication was received by the House, ordered to be spread upon the minutes, and then to be transmitted to the Senate.

Mr. Bartlett moved

To adjourn until 10 o'clock on Wednesday next, to enable the members of the House to attend the Fair at Gallatin.

The ayes and noes being demanded, were as follows:

Ayes.--Messrs. Armstrong, Cavitt, Cook, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Holmes, Mabry and Welcker—9.

Noes.—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown, of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cox, DeWitt, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Kinney, Little, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Har-deman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—55.

Mr. Cox moved to take up Bill, No. 19, entitled

A bill to authorize the endorsement by the Governor of duplicate bonds of the Nashville and Chattanooga Railroad Company, in place of those destroyed by fire.

Being taken up, it passed on third reading, as follows :

Ayes.—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—59,

Noes.—Messrs. Mathis and Smith—2.

Mr. Newman moved

To transmit Bill, No. 19, entitled

A bill for the relief of W. J. Farris, at once to the Senate ;

Which was ordered by the House.

Mr. Thomas moved

That Mr. Parks be substituted in place of himself, on the Committee to visit the Fair at Gallatin.

The substitution was ordered by the House.

Mr. DeWitt moved

That the House adjourn until Tuesday next, at 10 o'clock ;

Which motion was lost.

Mr. Massengill moved

That Mr. Meek be substituted in place of himself, as a member of the Committee to visit the Fair at Gallatin.

The motion prevailed, and the substitution was ordered by the House.

Mr. Bullen entered a motion for the reconsideration of Bill, No. 21, on which the ayes and noes should have been called upon its final passage.

Mr. Carmichael introduced Bill, No. 74, entitled

A bill to amend the law now in force regulating the Bean's Station Turnpike Road ;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Harris, from Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that Bills, Nos. 13, 12, 21, 23, and 17, were correctly engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Mabry,

The House adjourned until Monday, 9 o'clock.

MONDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 15, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Harris,

A call of the House was made.

Present,

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, DeWitt, Dortch, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tipton, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—54.

Absent,

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Campbell, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dunnington, Holmes, Looney, Meek, Runnels, Stovall, Temple, Tompkins, Welcker, White, Wilson of Marshall—19.

Mr. Brien, from Judiciary Committee, reported on Bill, No. 9, entitled

An act to reduce county expenses,

And recommended its rejection.

On Bill, No. 24, entitled

An act to give Grand Juries inquisitorial powers in all cases.

Mr. Brien, from same Committee, reported that the Committee were unable to come to any conclusion in regard to it, and returned it to the House, and asked to be discharged from its further consideration.

On Bill, No. 30, entitled

A bill to repeal so much of the act of 1853-4, chap. 294, as gives to the companies therein specified Banking privileges ;

The Committee recommended its rejection.

On Bill, No. 36, entitled

A bill prescribing the duties of Magistrates, and providing for their compensation, and recommended its rejection.

On Bill, No. 49, entitled

A bill to regulate the selection of jurors, and recommended its rejection.

Mr. Bullen moved

That all bills reported on by committees, take their place at once upon the Calendar ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, Chairman of Committee on Internal Improvements, reported on Bill, No. 7, entitled

A bill to regulate county subscriptions to railroad stock in the counties of Haywood, Gibson and Maury, and recommended its reference to the Judiciary Committee.

On Bill, No. 44, entitled

A bill to amend the second section of an act passed 8th February, 1854, entitled An act to amend an act passed the 11th of February, 1852, entitled An act to establish a system of Internal Improvements in this State, and recommended its passage.

On Bill, No. 57, entitled

A bill conferring additional power on the Mobile and Ohio Railroad to borrow money, and recommended its passage with the following amendment, by way of proviso, added thereto, viz :

Provided, This act shall not in any manner affect the rights or lien of the State on said road under the several laws in force granting State aid to said company, or give to any person or persons any right or preference over the State.

On Bill, No. 42, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled An act to clear out the drift in the mouth of the Forked Deer river, and recommended its passage with certain amendments.

On Bill, No. 43, entitled

A bill to guard against accidents upon railroads, and to protect the lives and property of the citizens, and recommended its passage with certain amendments.

The bills were placed in their regular order on the Calendar.

Mr. Harris from Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that Bill, No. 19, entitled

A bill to authorize the Governor to issue duplicate bonds of the Nashville and Chattanooga Railroad Company, in place of those destroyed by fire, was correctly engrossed.

Mr. Cavitt introduced Resolution, No. 36, as follows :

Resolved, That the order of business, of the House, be so amended, that after the reports of committees, the introduction of Resolutions, next the introduction of Bills ; after which the calendar of Resolutions shall be taken up and after disposing of the same, the House may proceed to any other business; and after such other business shall have been taken up, the introduction of any bill or resolution shall not be in order, without the consent of the House.

The House refused to suspend the rule, and the Resolution was laid over.

Mr. Dortch introduced Bill, No. 75, entitled

A bill to charter the Lagrange Female College ;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. Newman introduced Resolution, No. 37, as follows :

Resolved, By the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, that the Speaker of the House appoint a committee of three, and the Senate the same number, to confer with R. J. Meigs and Wm. F. Cooper and ascertain if Resolution, No. 26, adopted 8th February, 1852, authorizing the preparation of a digest of the statutes of Tennessee, has been complied with, and whether said compilation is ready for the action of this session of the General Assembly,

and if not completed, said committee will report the reasons &c.
The rule was suspended and resolution adopted.

Mr. Tipton introduced Resolution, No. 38, as follows :

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee,
That the Secretary of State be authorized to furnish the Clerk of
the Circuit Court of Carter county with all the copies of the deci-
sions of the Supreme Court of Tennessee that said clerk has not in
his office, upon his application.

The rule was suspended and the resolution adopted.

On motion of Mr. Wood of Hardeman,

The vote of adoption was reconsidered ; and

On motion of Mr. Tipton,

The resolution was referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Mabry introduced Bill, No. 76, entitled

A bill to charter the McMinnville and Sparta Turnpike Company ;
Which was read the first time, passed and referred to the Com-
mittee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Little introduced Bill, No. 77, entitled

A bill to repeal, in part, the act of 1826, chapter 22 ;

Which was read first time, passed and referred to the Judiciary
Committee.

Mr. Samuel T Taylor, member elect from the counties of Fay-
ette, Shelby, and Tipton appeared, was sworn in by Esq., Marcell,
and took his seat.

Mr. Gilbert introduced Bill, No. 78, entitled

A bill to amend the Revenue Laws of the State :

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Shemwell introduced Bill, No. 79, entitled

A bill to change the pay of witnesses attending the Circuit
Courts of this State.

Which was read first time, passed, and referred to the Judiciary
Committee.

Mr. Rudd introduced Bill, No. 80, entitled

A bill to repeal an act passed March 2nd, 1854, chapter 75 ;

Which was read first time, passed and referred to the Judiciary
committee.

Mr. Welcker introduced Bill, No. 81, entitled

A bill for the relief of John Blair and others ;

Which was read the first time, passed, and referred to the Com-
mittee on Claims.

Mr. Parks introduced Bill, No. 82, entitled

A bill to amend the act of 1817, chapter 54, sections 1 and 2 ; and
the act of 1823, chapter 21, section 1 ; and the act of 1835, chap-
ter 17, section 4, regulating motions against constables and their
securities :

Which was read first time, passed, and referred to the Judiciary
Committee.

Bills on second reading being in order,

Bill, No. 56, was taken up, and

On motion of Mr. Burch,

Was referred to the Committee on Tippling and Tippling Houses.
Bill, No. 57, entitled

A bill to authorize the taking of depositions of practicing physicians,

Was taken up, and

On motion, was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Hatton introduced Bill, No. 83, entitled

A bill to be entitled An act to incorporate the Nashville Publishing and Printing Company;

Which was read the first time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Pope,

Bill, No. 53, entitled

A bill to attach portions of Marion and Bledsoe counties to Hamilton county,

Was taken up, read the third time and passed.

Mr. Pope moved

That Bill, No. 53, be transmitted at once to the Senate;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Galbreath

Bill, No. 20, entitled

A bill to abolish the office of Entry Taker, and for other purposes,

Was taken up.

Mr. Harris moved

To amend by exempting Washington county from the provisions of the bill.

Mr. Tipton moved

To amend by exempting Carter and Johnson counties.

Mr Bullen moved

To exempt Green county.

Mr. Harris moved

That the bill be indefinitely postponed;

Which motion was,

On motion of Mr. Cavitt,

Laid on the table.

Mr. Rudd moved

To reconsider the motion ordering Bill, No. 53, to be transmitted to the Senate:

Which motion failed.

Mr. Parks moved

That Mr. Thomas be placed on the Committee to visit the Fair at Gallatin in place of himself;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Hatton informed the House, that on account of sickness in his family, Mr. Davie could not be present, nor could he attend the Fair at Gallatin.

Upon motion of Mr. Ward,

Mr. Hatton was appointed in lieu of Mr. Davie.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, moved
To take up Bill, No. 44, entitled

A bill to amend the second section of an act passed 8th February, 1854, entitled An act to amend an act passed 11th February, 1852, entitled An act to establish a system of Internal Improvements in this State ;

Which was read the second time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Brown, of Madison,
Bill, No. 51, entitled

A bill conferring additional power on the Mobile and Ohio Railroad to borrow money ,

Was taken up, and the report of the committee concurred in, and the bill as amended passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Nixon,

The House adjourned till 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 16, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. J. B. Ferguson.

On motion of Mr. Cavitt,

Mr. Gilbert was appointed in lieu of Mr. Thomas, to attend the Fair at Gallatin.

Mr. Harris, from Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported
Bill, No. 53, entitled

A bill to attach portions of Bledsoe and Marion to the county of Hamilton, correctly engrossed.

The Speaker appointed under Resolution No. 27, Messrs. Newman and Wood, of Hardeman and White.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, introduced
Bill, No. 84, entitled

A bill to amend the practice in Chancery Courts ;

Which was read first time, passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Cavitt introduced

Bill, No. 85, entitled

A bill to establish a Conventional Interest ;

Which was read first time, passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Mabry introduced
Bill, No. 86, entitled

A bill to change the location of the Branch of the Bank of Tennessee from Sparta to McMinnville ;

Which was read first time and passed, and referred to the Committee on Banks.

Bill, No. 7, was taken up, and

On motion of Mr. Nixon,

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Bill, No. 9, entitled

A bill to reduce County Expenses,

Was taken up, and being read the second time, was rejected in accordance with the report of the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, entered a motion to reconsider the vote on Bill, No. 9.

Mr. Cavitt moved to take up Resolution, No. 36 ;

Which being done, it was rejected.

Bill, No. 42, was taken up, and the amendments recommended by the Committee on Internal Improvements being adopted,

The bill passed its second reading.

Mr. Bartlett introduced Bill, No 87, entitled

A bill to abolish the Usury Laws of this State ;

Which was read the first time, passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Harris introduced Bill, No. 88, entitled

A bill to repeal the Quart Law ;

Which was read first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Tippling and Tippling Houses.

Bill, No. 61, entitled

A bill for the benefit of Columbia Academy, in McMinn county, was taken up.

Mr. Little moved an amendment ;

Which being adopted, the bill passed its second reading.

Bill, No. 75, entitled

A bill to charter the LaGrange Female College,

Was read second time and passed.

Bill, No. 74, entitled

A bill to amend the law now in force regulating the Bean's Station Turnpike Road,

Was read the second time and passed.

Bill, No. 83, entitled

A bill to be entitled An act to incorporate the Nashville Printing and Publishing Company,

Was taken up, amended on motion of Mr. Bullen, and being read the second time, passed.

Mr. Brien moved

To take up Bill, No. 1, and refer it to the Committee on Tippling and Tippling Houses ;

Which motion prevailed, and the reference was made.

Mr. Burch introduced Bill, No. 88, entitled

A bill to be entitled An act the better to secure costs in prosecutions for misdemeanors ;

Which was read first time, passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Bill, No. 34, entitled

A bill to incorporate the Clislean Society of Baptist Female College, Brownsville, Tennessee,

Was read third time and passed.

Bill, No. 39,

To change the name of Sampson Stuart,

Was taken up, and, on motion of Mr. Wallace, laid on the table.

Bill, No. 40, entitled

An act to incorporate the Methodist Church at Carter Station camp ground, in Green County, was taken up, and

On motion of Mr. Kinney,

Amended and passed its third reading.

Bill, No. 44, entitled

A bill to amend the second section of an act passed 8th February, 1854, entitled An act to amend an act passed 11th February, 1852, entitled An act to establish a system of internal improvements in this State, was taken up.

Mr. Bullen moved

To lay it on the table ;

Which motion failed.

On motion of Mr. Massingill,

The House adjourned till 3 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, moved

To amend House Bill, No. 44.

The amendments were adopted.

Mr. Gallaway moved

To lay the bill on the table ;

Which motion failed.

It was then put upon its final passage as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch,

Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cook, Cox, 'DeWitt, Easterly, Fielder' Fort, Gleaves, Looney, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Taylor, Thomas, Wallace, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—31.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Bullen, Carlock, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Dunnington, Galbreath Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Runnels, Smith, Tipton, Travis, Watkins, Wood of Cannon—23.

Mr. Gallaway asked leave to be excused from voting ;
Which was granted.

Bill, No. 50, entitled

An act to incorporate the Nashville Academy of Music and Fine Arts,

Was read the third time and passed.

Bill, No. 51, entitled

A bill conferring additional power on the Mobile and Ohio Railroad Company to borrow money, was taken up.

Mr. Bullen moved to amend the amendment ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Bullen moved a reconsideration of the vote amending the bill ;

Which motion prevailed, and

Mr. Bullen withdrew his amendment.

The bill being read the third time passed.

Mr. Wallace presented a petition from Isaac Wallace,

Praying that Sampson Stuart's name be changed, and made his heir ;

Which was read, and Bill, No. 9, entitled

A bill to change the name of Sampson Stuart being taken up, it was passed on its third reading, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cox, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Travis, Wallace, Watkins, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—45.

Noes—Messrs. Bartlett, Bobo, Brien, Brown of Madison, Cook, Dewitt, Looney, Mathis, Nixon, and Whiteside—10.

Mr. Kinney introduced Bill, No. 90, entitled

A bill to repeal all laws now in force in this State prohibiting the sale of spirituous liquors by less quantities than a quart ;

Which was read the first time and passed, and referred to the Committee on Tippling and Tippling Houses.

Mr. Fielder introduced Bill, No. 91, entitled

A bill to repeal the Tippling Law.

Mr. Brien moved to lay the bill on the table.

The motion was lost, and the bill passed its first reading.

Mr. Cavitt entered a motion,

To reconsider the vote passing Bill, No. 44, on its third reading.

Mr. Rudd introduced Bill, No. 92, entitled

A bill to repeal the act of 1821, chapter 66, and the act of 1827, chapter 39 ;

Which was read first time, passed, and referred to Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Colburn introduced Bill, No. 93, entitled

A bill for the relief of the heirs of Samuel Saffell, deceased ;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Galbreath introduced Resolution, No. 39, as follows :

Resolved, by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to furnish the county of Putnam its distributive proportion of the Reports and Statute Laws of the State of Tennessee, so far as he may have them on hand for distribution ; and that the said Secretary be authorized to purchase the wanting copies to supply said county ; and that the Comptroller be requested to issue his warrant on the Treasury for the payment of the same.

Resolution was laid over.

Mr. Speaker Brown, Mr. Cavitt in the Chair, introduced Bill, No. 94, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled An act to authorize the Jews of Davidson County to purchase a burial ground and build a synagogue, and for other purposes ;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, introduced Bill, No. 95, entitled

A bill to amend the Criminal Laws of this State ;

Which was read the first time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Mabry,

The House adjourned till 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 17, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. R. L. Lapsley.

Mr. Carlock presented a petition from citizens of McMinn county, praying the repeal of the law in reference to the introduction and sale of negroes from other States to this ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, from Committee on Education and

Common Schools, reported on Bill, No. 28, being a bill to amend the school laws of Tennessee, and recommended its rejection.

Also, on Resolution, No. 31, as follows :

The Committee on Education and Common Schools have had this resolution under consideration, and report that it is inexpedient at the present time to create the office of Superintendent of Public Instruction.

They therefore beg to be discharged from the further consideration of this resolution.

Mr. Harris, from Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined House Bills, Nos. 34, 39, 40, 50, 51, and found them correctly engrossed.

Mr. Snodgrass introduced Bill, No. 96, entitled

A bill to establish the county of Cumberland, in this State ;

Which was read the first time and passed, and referred to Committee on New Counties and County Lines.

Mr. Smith introduced Bill, No. 97, entitled

A bill to secure to married women the right and use of their own property ;

Which was read the first time, passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Rudd introduced Bill, No. 98, entitled

A bill for the benefit of the Tennessee, Western and Charleston Railroad Company ;

Which was read the first time, passed, and referred to Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Cloud introduced Bill, No. 99, entitled

A bill granting merchants the right to sell goods, wares, and merchandise, without license, in certain cases ;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Mathis introduced Bill, No. 100, entitled

A bill to change the mode of electing Surveyors ;

Which was read the first time and passed, and referred to the Committee on Elections.

Mr. Snodgrass introduced Bill, No. 101, entitled

A bill to be entitled An act to amend an act re-establishing Putnam county ;

Which was read the first time, passed, and referred to Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Runnels introduced Bill, No. 102, entitled

A bill for the benefit of parents and guardians ;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Richey introduced Bill, No. 103, entitled

A bill for the relief of certain citizens of Bradley county ;

Which was read the first time and passed, and referred to the Committee on New Counties and County Lines.

Mr. Parks introduced Bill, No. 104, entitled

A bill to amend the first section of an act passed 23d January,

1846, entitled An act to tax and regulate Tippling and Tippling Houses, and to increase the revenue;

Which was read the first time and passed, and referred to the Committee on Tippling and Tippling Houses.

Mr. Gallaway introduced Bill, No. 105, entitled

A bill to increase the School Fund, and for other purposes;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Gallaway then moved

That a Committee on Buncombe be appointed, to which the bill should be referred;

Which motion was lost.

Mr. Bullen introduced Bill, No. 106, entitled

A bill to equalize the labor and expense of keeping up the public roads in this State;

Which was read the first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. Pope moved

That one hundred and fifty copies of the above bill should be printed for the use of the House;

Which motion was lost.

A message was received from the Senate by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has passed the following Resolution, No. 24:

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That the Secretary of State be authorized and required to purchase twenty copies of the Acts of the last General Assembly, and have the same forwarded to the County Court Clerk of Henderson county, for distribution by him to such Magistrates of said county as have not heretofore been supplied with said Acts.

The Senate has amended House Resolution, No. 37, to raise a Committee to wait upon R. J. Meigs and Wm. F. Cooper, by striking out the words "and the Senate the same number," and inserting the words "to act with such Committee as the Senate may appoint," and adopted the same as amended.

And the Speaker has appointed Messrs. Steele and Carter, on the part of the Senate.

Mr. Harris moved

That Senate Resolution, No. 24, be referred to the Committee on Claims;

Which reference was ordered by the House.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, moved

That the House concur in Senate amendment to House Resolution, No. 37;

And the House concurred.

Mr. Cox introduced Bill, No. 107, entitled

A bill to charter the City Building and Loan Association of Nashville;

Which was read the first time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Massengill,

The House adjourned till 3 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Dunnington introduced Bill, No. 108, entitled

A bill to promote improvement in the Criminal Law, and for other purposes;

Which was read the first time, passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Taylor presented the following communication from the Secretary of State:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
Nashville, October 15, 1855. }

To the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, now in session :

GENTLEMEN—In obedience to the requirements of the second section of an act passed on the 28th day of February, 1854, entitled An act to ascertain the sense of the voters of Tipton county concerning the removal of the seat of justice from Covington to Randolph, I have the honor of transmitting herewith the original returns of the Sheriff of said county, made to me, of an election held in said county in conformity with the provisions of said law, from which it appears that at said election the town of Covington received 486 votes, and the town of Randolph received 458 votes.

Respectfully reported,

W. B. A. RAMSEY,
Secretary of State.

The Report of the Secretary, and the accompanying documents, being read to the House, was received, and ordered to be spread upon the minutes, and then transmitted to the Senate.

Mr. Shemwell introduced Bill, No. 109, entitled

A bill to define the duties of Overseers of Public County Roads and Road Tax;

Which was read the first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. Bartlett moved

To add Mr. Taylor to the Committee on Banks, on Internal Improvements, and on Tippling and Tippling Houses ;

Which additions were ordered by the House.

Mr. Snodgrass introduced Bill, No. 110, entitled

A bill to be entitled An act to protect honest litigants ;

Which was read the first time, and passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Gallaway moved

To adjourn till to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock ;

Which motion was lost.

Bill, No. 94, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled An act to authorize the Jews of Davidson county to purchase a Burial Ground, and build a Synagogue, and for other purposes, passed the 4th of March, 1854,

Was taken up, and Mr. Bullen moved

To amend by adding, Provided nothing contained in this act shall be so construed as to prevent the Legislature from amending or repealing the same when it is manifest the public good requires it.

Mr. Tipton moved

To lay the amendment on the table ; upon which motion Mr. Bullen demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes.—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cook Cox, DeWitt, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Little, Looney, Myatt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Travis, Watkins, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—39.

Noes.—Messrs. Bobo, Bullen, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colburn, Easterly, Galbreath, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Wallace, and Wood of Cannon—15.

The amendment was laid on the table, and the bill passed second reading.

Bill, No. 93, entitled

A bill for the relief of the heirs of Samuel Saffell, deceased, of the county of Blount,

Was taken up and passed second reading, and

On motion of Mr. Mathis,

Was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Bill, No. 74, entitled

A bill to amend the law now in force regulating the Bean's Station Turnpike Road,

Was taken up, read the third time, and passed.

Bill, No. 61, entitled

A bill for the benefit of Columbia Academy, in McMinn county,

Was taken up, and

Mr. Mathis moved

To amend, by adding, That this act shall apply to all the County Academies and Colleges in this State ;

Which amendment was adopted, and the bill referred to the Committee on Education and Common Schools.

Mr. Cox introduced the Report of the Commissioners of the State Capitol, which,

On motion of Mr. Mathis,

Was laid on the table; and

On motion of Mr. Cavitt,

One hundred and fifty copies were ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

On motion of Mr. Cavitt,

The Report was taken up and ordered to be transmitted to the Senate.

A message, No. 8, was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : —

I am directed to transmit to the House the following bills, which have passed the Senate on their third reading :

Senate Bill, No. 4, A bill to repeal section third of the act of 1853, chapter 72.

Senate Bill, No. 8, A bill to authorize the White's Creek Turnpike Company to change the location of their second toll-gate.

Senate Bill, No. 12, A bill for the benefit of *femes covert*s.

I also herewith transmit the Report of the Citizens Bank of Nashville and Memphis, at Memphis.

Senate Bill, No. 8, entitled

A bill to authorize the White's Creek Turnpike Company to change the location of their second toll-gate,

Was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Richey introduced Bill, No. 111, entitled

A bill to further extend the jurisdiction of officers of incorporated towns and cities ;

Which was read the first time, passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Bill, No. 42, was taken up, and

Mr. Thomas moved

To add another Commissioner, to wit :

Henry Buck, of Haywood county ;

Which motion prevailed, and the bill, as amended, passed its third reading.

Mr. Newman moved

To allow the Clerk and Doorkeeper of the Senate to occupy the room on the extreme left of the Hall, as a sleeping apartment ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Dunnington moved

To reconsider the vote on the last motion, on the ground that the room is occupied by the stationery of the House of Representatives,

Which motion prevailed.

The original question, being submitted, was lost.

Bill, No. 75, A bill to charter the LaGrange Female College,

Was taken up, read third time and passed.

A Message, No. 9, was received from the Senate by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Senate has passed, on its third reading, House Bill, No. 3, for the benefit of G. W. Turk and others, with an amendment for the benefit of E. G. Eastman and others, and the same is herewith returned for the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. Nixon,

The House adjourned till to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. J. B. Ferguson.

Mr. Snodgrass presented a petition from five hundred and fifty citizens, praying for the establishment of the county of Cumberland ;

Which was referred to the Committee on New Counties and County Lines.

Mr. Nixon, from Committee on Claims, reported that the Committee recommended the rejection of Bill, No. 81, for the relief of John Blair and others.

Mr. Dunnington introduced Bill, No. 112, A bill to amend An act entitled An act to amend the revenue law of this State, passed February 5th, 1848 ;

Which was read first time, passed and referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures.

Mr. Carlock introduced Bill, No. 113, entitled

A bill to suppress drunkenness ;

Which was read the first time and passed, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Mathis introduced Bill, No. 114, entitled

A bill to amend the small offence law, passed the 10th day of January, 1848, chapter 55 ;

Which was read the first time, passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Snodgrass, at the request of the Speaker, took the Chair.

Mr. Brown, of Davidson, introduced Bill, No. 115, entitled
A bill to provide for the relief of Thomas Shelton and for other purposes ;

Which was read the first time and passed, and referred to the Committee on State Capitol.

Mr. Brown, of Davidson, introduced Bill, No. 116, entitled
A bill to amend the practice in the trial of criminal cases, and for other purposes ;

Which was read first time and passed, and referred to Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Brown, of Davidson, introduced Bill, No. 117, entitled
A bill to provide for the erection of statues to Gen. Washington and Gen. Jackson in the Capitol of the State ;

Which was read the first time, passed, and referred to Committee on the State Capitol.

Mr. Brown, of Davidson, introduced Resolution, No. 40, as follows :

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That our Senators in Congress be instructed and our Representatives be requested to use all proper means to obtain the passage of an act establishing a National Agricultural Bureau.

Resolved, That His Excellency, the Governor of the State, be requested to forward to each of our Senators and Representatives a copy of the foregoing resolution.

The resolution was laid over.

Mr. Looney introduced Bill, No. 118, entitled
A bill to amend an act incorporating the Columbia and Fountain Creek Turnpike Company, passed 9th February, 1850 ;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Hatton introduced Bill, No. 119, entitled
An act to amend the act of 1827, chapter 54 ;
Which was read the first time and passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Looney introduced Bill, No. 120, entitled
A bill to incorporate the Nickojack Railroad and Mining Company ;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Colquet introduced Bill, No. 121, entitled
A bill to be entitled An act to prohibit the adulteration of spirituous liquors in this State ;

Which was read the first time and passed, and referred to the Committee on Tippling and Tippling Houses.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, introduced Resolution, No. 41, as follows :

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That the Doorkeepers of the Senate and House of Representatives be directed to make all necessary and proper arrangements with the Post Master in the city of Nashville, to forward all papers and public documents sent by the members of the General Assembly to

their constituents, and that said Doorkeepers deposit said papers and documents in the Post Office, and keep an account of the same.

Resolved further, That an amount sufficient to pay said postage be appropriated and paid out of any moneys in the public Treasury unappropriated.

The rule was suspended and resolution adopted, viz :

Ayes.—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Bobo, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Litile, Looney, Myatt, Newman, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Thomas, Travis, Watkins, White, White-side, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—39.

Noes.—Messrs. Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Cloud, Cobb, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Smith, Snodgrass, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, and Wood of Hardeman—18.

Mr. Travis entered a motion to reconsider the vote on Resolution, No. 41, to enable absent members to record their votes on said Resolution.

A message No. 10, was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Senate has adopted Joint Resolution, No. 23, directory to the Keeper of the Lunatic Asylum, which is herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives. The Senate has rejected, upon its second reading, House Bill, No. 13, entitled

A bill to reduce the fees of County Court Clerks.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

To lay Senate Resolution, No. 23, on the table ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Rudd introduced Bill, No. 122, entitled

A bill to be entitled An act to repeal an act passed January 24th, 1854, entitled An act to regulate county subscriptions to railroad stock, and for other purposes ;

Which was read the first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Senate Bill, No. 8, entitled

A bill to authorize the White's Creek Turnpike Company to change the location of their second toll-gate ;

Was taken up, read second time, and passed.

On motion of Mr. DeWitt,

The House adjourned till 3 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Cox introduced Bill, 123, entitled

A bill to be entitled An act to repeal a portion of the third section of an act passed February 8th, 1854, chapter 131, and for other purposes ;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Brazelton and Mr. Easterly were granted leave of absence on account of ill health.

Bill, No. 81, entitled

A bill for the relief of John Blair, and others, was taken up and laid on the table.

Bill, No. 107, entitled

A bill to charter the City Building and Loan Association of Nashville,

Was taken up.

Mr. Galbreath moved

To amend by adding, That nothing contained in the act be so construed as to prevent the Legislature from amending or repealing the same, when it is manifest the public good requires it.

Which amendment Mr. Cox moved to lay on the table.

On which motion,

Mr. Bullen demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cloud, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Fielder, Fort, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Little, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown.—32.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Bullen, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gallaway, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Shemwell, Wallace, Whiteside, and Wood of Cannon—21.

The amendment was laid on the table, and the bill passed its second reading.

Mr. Runnels introduced Bill, No. 124, entitled

A bill to increase the Common School Fund, and for other purposes ;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. Newman introduced Bill. No. 125, entitled

A bill to repeal portions of the Omnibus Internal Improvement Act ;

Which was read the first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Bill, No. 83,

A bill to be entitled An act to incorporate the Nashville Publishing and Printing Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Hatton moved
to amend by striking out the proviso ;
Which prevailed, and the bill passed its third reading as amended.
Mr. Whiteside introduced Bill, No. 126, entitled
A bill to change the county line between the counties of Hickman and Lewis ;
Which was read first time and passed.
Mr. Newman introduced a resolution, providing that the Inspector of Railroads be elected by the people;
Which resolution was laid over.
Bill, No. 94, entitled
A bill to amend an act entitled An act to authorize the Jews of Davidson county to purchase a burial ground and build a synagogue, and for other purposes, passed March 4th, 1854,
Was taken up, read third time, and passed.
Mr. Northcutt introduced Bill, No. 127, entitled
A bill to establish a Chancery Court at Altamont, in Grundy County ;
Which was read the third time and passed.
Mr. Hatton introduced bill No. 128, entitled
A bill to be entitled An act to provide for the punishment of persons interfering with trains on railroads ;
Which was read the first time and passed.
Mr. Galbreath introduced Bill, No. 129, entitled
A bill to establish a Chancery Court in the town of Cookville, Putnam county;
Which was read first time and passed.
On motion of Mr. Cavitt,
The House adjourned till 10 o'clock to-morrow.

FRIDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 19, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.
Prayer by the Rev. J. B. Ferguson.
Mr. Brien, from Judiciary Committee, reported as follows :
The Committee on Judiciary have had under consideration sundry bills referred to them by this House, upon which I am directed to make the following reports :
On Bill, No. 27, to repeal the proviso of the 3d section, chapter 105, of the act of 1854. The Committee recommended the passage of this bill.

On Bill, No. 82, to amend the Laws so as to allow motions against the securities of Constables in certain cases. The Committee recommended the bill amended by striking out the words "is out of his county" after the word "or," and insert in lieu thereof, "removed out of the State or absconds;" and with these amendments, recommended the passage of the bill.

On Bill, No. 57, A bill to authorize the taking of depositions of practicing physicians, and recommended its rejection.

On Bill, No 58, A bill to increase the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace, and recommended its rejection.

On Bill, 77, A bill to repeal in part the act of 1826, chapter 22, and recommended its rejection.

On Bill, 73, A bill for the benefit of litigants, and recommended its rejection.

On Bill, 79, A bill to change the pay of witnesses attending the Circuit Courts of this State, and recommended its rejection.

On Bill, No. 80, A bill to repeal an act passed March 2, 1854, chapter 75, and recommended its rejection

On Bill, No. 110, A bill to be entitled An act to protect honest litigants, and recommended its rejection.

All of which I am directed to report, and ask the concurrence of the House.

M. M. BRIEN, Chairman.

Mr. Brien presented a minority report on Bill, 77, stating that he could not concur with the majority of the Committee in recommending its rejection.

Mr. Harris, from Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that Bills, Nos. 42, 74, and 75, were correctly engrossed.

Mr. White, from Committee on New Counties and County Lines, reported on Bill, No. 96, A bill to establish the county of Cumberland, in this State, as follows :

The Committee recommend that in the sixth section, the word "three" be stricken out, and "five" inserted; and in the tenth section, after the name of Isaac Vanwinkle, add the names of Daniel Clark, of White, and John Johnson, of Putnam.

On Bill, 103, entitled A bill for the relief of certain citizens of Bradley county, and recommended its passage on the ground that the County Court of Bradley county had full power in the premises.

The Speaker presented the report of the President and Directors of the Planters Bank of Tennessee; which,

On motion of Mr. Hatton,

Was laid on the table.

Mr. Runnels introduced Bill, No. 130, entitled

A bill to protect owners of land sold for taxes;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Holmes introduced Bill, No. 131, entitled

A bill guaranteeing the payment by the State of certain Bonds issued, and to be issued, by the city of Memphis;

Which was read first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Cox introduced Bill, No. 132 entitled

An act to amend the charter of the Nashville and Middle Franklin Turnpike Company ;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Newman asked and obtained leave to withdraw Resolution, No. 42, offered by him yesterday, and then introduced Bill, 133, entitled

A bill to elect the President of the Bank of Tennessee, the Commissioner of Railroads, and the Keeper of the Penitentiary, by the people :

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Cobb introduced Bill, No. 134, entitled

A bill to repeal all laws incorporating the town of Columbus, in Polk county, Tennessee ;

Which was read first time and passed, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. Travis introduced Resolution, No. 43, as follows :

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed to take into consideration the bill recommended by His Excellency Governor Johnson, known as "The Law Reform Bill," and report upon the same to this House, or such bill as they may think will meet the wants of the country.

On motion, the rule was suspended.

Mr. Dunnington offered a Preamble and Resolution in lieu ;

Which Mr. Travis accepted, and withdrew his resolution ; but, after some discussion, Mr. Dunnington withdrew his Preamble and Resolution.

Mr. Travis then renewed his resolution.

Mr. White moved

That the author of the resolution designate the members who should compose said committee.

Mr. Cavitt moved the previous question ;

Which motion prevailed.

And the resolution being submitted, was adopted.

Mr. Dunnington introduced Bill, No. 135, entitled

An act for the benefit of Administrators and Executors ;

Which was read first time and passed, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Tipton introduced Bill, No. 136, entitled

A bill to repeal an act creating the office of Railroad Commissioner ;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

To take up the report of the Committee on New Counties and County Lines on Bill, 96 ;

Which motion prevailed, and the report of the committee was concurred in.

The bill, as amended, passed second reading, being
 A bill to establish the county of Cumberland, in this State.
 On motion of Mr. Massengill,
 The House adjourned till 3 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Bill, No. 103, A bill for the relief of certain citizens of Bradley county, coming up,

The report of the Committee on New Counties and County Lines was concurred in, and the bill rejected.

A Message, No. 10, was received from the Senate by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has adopted the following Resolution, No. 28 :

Resolved, That a committee of two be appointed by the Senate, to act with such committee as may be appointed by the House, to ascertain the number of Acts and Journals of this General Assembly that will be necessary for distribution in the different counties in this State. I am also directed to transmit to your Honorable body, the accompanying report of the Planters Bank of Tennessee and Branches.

The Senate has passed on its third and last reading, House Bill, No. 12, entitled

A bill for the benefit of W. J. Farris, with an amendment, and the same is herewith transmitted for the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate amendment to House Bill, No. 12, was,

On motion of Mr. Nixon,

Concurred in by the House.

Bill, No. 120, A bill to incorporate the Nicojack Railroad and Mining Company,

Was read the second time and passed.

Bill, No. 126, A bill to change the county line between the counties of Hickman and Lewis,

Was read the second time and passed.

Bill, No. 127, A bill to establish a Chancery Court at the town of Altamont, in Grundy county,

Was read the second time and passed.

Bill, No. 129, A bill to establish a Chancery Court in the town of Cookville, in Putnam county,

Was read the second time and passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Bill, No. 117, A bill to charter the City Building and Loan Association of Nashville,

Was read a third time and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Bill, No. 118, A bill to amend an act passed 9th February, 1850, Was read the second time and passed.

Senate Bill, No. 8, was,

On motion of Mr. Cox,

Laid on the table.

Mr. Dunnington moved

That the House have a committee of three to co-operate with the Senate's committee appointed under Senate's Resolution, No. 28;

Which motion prevailed, and the Chair appointed Messrs. Dunnington, Cavitt, and Campbell.

A Message was received from the Governor, by W. B. A Ramsey, Secretary of State, as follows :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
Nashville, October 18, 1855. }

Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives :

I herewith transmit for your consideration, a communication from Mr. John Herrigus, Superintendent of Weights and Measures. I would most respectfully call your attention to the remarks and suggestions made by him in regard to carrying out the provisions of a Joint Resolution passed by the General Aassembly on the 3d day of March, 1854, No. 14.

Very Respectfully,

ANDREW JOHNSON.

OFFICE OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES,
Nashville, October 15, 1855. }

Thinking it would not be improper to call the attention of the Legislature more directly to the subject of Weights and Measures, I take the liberty to submit the following views: The establishment of a unit of length, weight and capacity, would seem as though it ought to be among the first means adopted in a government for the distribution of justice to the citizens, as all of the ordinary business transactions of life depend upon an understanding of such existing, and in all countries they do exist, either by a

standard fixed by law or common usage. That a government may exist without them, the history of our own proves. But that equal justice can be administered to the citizens without them, has always been a question of importance with the most learned and leading men of our Government, and from investigations made under the direction of President John Q. Adams, there was found to be so great a difference in the Weights and Measures used in the different custom-houses, as led the Congress of the country to adopt a standard, and have copies made for distribution to the different offices of the government and to the States, expecting thereby that the States would distribute copies of them to the counties, towns, &c., &c., and thereby establish uniformity throughout the country. Our Legislature at their last and previous sessions, have passed laws in conformity to the above, which it is to be hoped will be faithfully carried out. I have now in my charge in good order, a full and accurate set of all the standards furnished by the Government. I would call attention to the revision of the laws of the State, on the subject as published in the statutes. The articles there specified do not embrace those now in common use for weighing, and some of the terms of the standards there specified have become obsolete. I have no doubt there is a great want of uniformity in the standards now in use in the different countries, and considerable neglect in some standard keepers to perform their duty. I have had several opportunities to test measures with the seal of Davidson county on them, and if they conform to any standard, it must be an elastic one. In fact I do not know that the law, as it now stands, has any reference to a known measure. The neglect which has been so long manifest on the subject, has made our State the receptacle of articles used for weighing and measuring, which have no other recommendation than being cheap. I believe in economy, but not to the extent of sacrificing justice; and think it would be a good provision in law to make some allowance for errors in weighing apparatus for common articles of merchandize, say within one pound in five hundred. The corporation of Nashville, in conformity to their charter granting them the privilege of establishing standard weights and measures, and regulating the same, made a request and have had a copy of the standards in my charge, regulated by me, and adopted them formally as the standards of the city. They have also passed a law for the regulation of the weights, measures, and balances used in the city, which I would recommend to your consideration.

JOHN HERRIGUS,

State Superintendent of Weights and Measures.

To His Excellency, ANDREW JOHNSON,

Governor of the State of Tennessee.

On motion of Mr. Cavitt,

The report was received and laid on the table.

The Speaker appointed the following members as a select committee, to consider and propose a bill for Law Reform, viz :

Messrs. Travis, Dunnington Nixon, Harris and Tipton.

Mr. Wood of Cannon, moved

To take up such reports of banks as have been received, viz : Lawrenceburg Bank, Citizens Bank of Nashville and Memphis, at Memphis, and the Planters Bank of Tennessee ;

Which was done, and

On motion of Mr. Wood of Cannon,

Five hundred copies of each were ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

On motion of Mr. Burch,

Twelve hundred additional copies of the report of the Bank of Tennessee were ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

Mr. Cavitt moved to adjourned until 10 o'clock, Monday morning, to allow the workmen to complete repairs upon the desks, &c., in the House.

The ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Parks,

The motion was withdrawn.

Mr. Brien moved

To adjourn till 10 o'clock to-morrow ;

Which motion was lost.

Mr. Pope moved

To adjourn till 10 o'clock, Monday morning, to permit workmen to complete repairs on the desks, &c., in the House.

Mr. Parks demanded the ayes and noes, and

The motion was withdrawn.

Mr. Dunnington introduced Bill, No. 137,

An act to regulate the compensation to be allowed Executors, Administrators, Guardians, and other Trustees ;

Which was read first time and passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Cowden introduced Bill, No. 138,

A bill to alter the county line of Maury and Marshall ;

Which was read the first time and passed, and referred to the Committee on New Counties and County Lines.

Mr. Cavitt moved

That when the House did adjourn, it adjourn till Monday morning, 11 o'clock, to allow the workmen an opportunity to complete the repairs in the Hall.

Mr. Parks demanded the ayes and noes, and

The motion was witherawn.

Mr. Galbreath introduced Bill, No. 139,

A bill to authorize the President and Directors of the Bank of Tennessee to appoint an additional Director ;

Which was read the first and passed.

Mr. Gallaway introduced Resolution, No. 44, as follows :

Resolved, That the House of Representatives of the State of

Tennessee, meet the Senate in this Hall, at 10 o'clock, A. M., on Thursday, 25th November, to elect a Comptroller for the State.

The House refused to suspend the rule, and the Resolution was laid over.

Mr. Pope moved

To adjourn till Monday morning, 11 o'clock, to enable workmen to complete repairs on the Hall ;

The ayes and noes being demanded,

The motion was withdrawn.

Mr. Dortch moved

That Bill, No. 75, be transmitted at once to the Senate, and the Motion prevailed.

Mr. Snodgrass introduced Resolution, No. 43, as follows :

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That the two Houses of the General Assembly meet in Convention, in the Hall of Representatives, on Thursday, 25th day of October, inst., for the purpose of electing a Treasurer for the State, Comptroller of the Treasury, and Secretary of State ;

Which Resolution was laid over.

Mr. Cavitt moved to adjourn till Monday morning, 9½ o'clock, to allow the workmen to complete repairs in the Hall ;

The ayes and noes being demanded, by Mr. Fielder,

The motion was withdrawn.

Mr. Cook moved

To adjourn till 10 o'clock, to-morrow ;

The ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Cavitt,

The motion was withdrawn.

Mr. Burch moved

To adjourn till 10 o'clock to-morrow morning ;

Upon which motion the ayes and noes being demanded, by Mr. Cook.

The motion was withdrawn.

Mr. Hatton moved

To adjourn till to-morrow, 10 o'clock,

Mr. Cavitt demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen Campbell, Carlock, Cobb, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Smith, Snodgrass, Taylor, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, White, White-side, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—46.

Noes.—Messrs. Burch, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Colquet, Gilbert, Harris, Mathis, Pope, Runnels, Tipton, Wood of Cannon—12.

Whereupon, the House adjourned till to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock.

SATURDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 20, 1855

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. J. B. Ferguson.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, moved

To correct the Journal, by striking out so much of the Journal of yesterday as relates to motions to adjourn, which were withdrawn by the movers before final action upon them by the House.

Mr. Brien demanded the ayes and noes ;

Which were as follows :

Ayes.—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Colburn, Davie, DeWitt, Fort, Pope, Wilson of Carroll, and Wood of Cannon—10.

Noes.—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Tonipkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, White, Whiteside, Wood of Hardeman, Mr. Speaker Brown—54.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Cox presented a Petition from E. H. Childress, praying for certain amendments to the charter of the Nashville and Charlotte Turnpike Road ;

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. Brien, from Judiciary Committee, reported as follows :

The Judiciary Committee have had under consideration Bills, Nos. 84, and 101, and have directed me to report as follows :

On bill, No. 84, to amend the chancery practice, they recommend its passage.

On bill, No. 101, to amend the act of Assembly in relation to Putnam county, they recommend that said bill be rejected.

Mr. Nixon, from Committee on Claims, recommended the adoption of Senate Resolution, No. 24, directory to the Secretary of State.

Mr. Harris, from Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that Bills, Nos. 83, and 94, were correctly engrossed.

Mr. Mabry was granted leave of absence on account of ill health.

Mr. Nixon presented the Report of the Comptroller of the Treasury, and moved that five thousand copies be ordered to be printed, and that it be transmitted to the Senate ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Burch introduced Resolution, No. 44, as follows :

Resolved, That hereafter when a motion or resolution is withdrawn from the House, no notice shall be taken of it on the Journal.

The rule was suspended on motion of Mr. Burch, and

Mr. Hatton offered the following amendment :

Resolved further, that it shall hereafter be a rule of this House that no motion shall be withdrawn after it shall have been stated by the Speaker, except by permission of the House ; and upon a member asking to withdraw a motion, the question shall be stated by the Speaker : Shall the gentleman from ——— be permitted to withdraw his motion ? and, if no objection be made, permission shall be considered as granted ; and, if there be objection, the question shall be determined by vote of the House.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To lay Mr. Hatton's amendment on the table.

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To amend as follows : Provided, The Journal on that subject has not been made up.

Which amendment, on motion of Mr. Dunnington, was laid on the table.

Mr. Newman moved .

To lay the resolution on the table ;

Which motion failed.

Mr. Nixon offered Resolution, No. 47, as follows :

Resolved, That it is the sense of this House that the Bank of Tennessee should be put in a state of gradual liquidation by the present General Assembly.

Mr. Parks introduced Bill, No. 140, entitled

A bill to amend the act passed 12th February, 1852, entitled An act to authorize and regulate the business of Banking ;

Which was read the first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Banks.

Mr. Campbell introduced Bill, No. 141,

To amend the Common School Laws ;

Which was read the first time, and passed.

Mr. Hatton then proposed as an original Resolution, No. 48, the amendment offered by him, as above, to Mr. Burch's resolution.

The rule, on motion of Mr. Hatton, was suspended.

Mr. Meek, from the Committee on Elections, reported on Bill, No. 66, providing for the manner of holding elections in the City of Nashville.

The committee propose an amendment, and recommend the passage of the bill.

On motion of Mr. Looney,

The House adjourned till Monday morning, 10 o'clock.

MONDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 22, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Brown, from the Committee on Internal Improvements, reported as follows:

The Committee on Internal Improvements, as directed by the House, had the following bills under consideration, viz:

Bill, No. 72, to amend an act entitled An act to incorporate the Mississippi Central and Tennessee Railroad Company.

Bill, No. 98, for the benefit of the Tennessee Western and Charleston Railroad Company.

Bill, No. 122, to be entitled An act to repeal an act passed January 24th, 1854, entitled An act, to regulate county subscriptions to railroad stock, and for other purposes ;

And said committee have directed me to report said bills back to the House, with the recommendation that they severally pass.

Mr. Dortch, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported on Bill, No. 37, to repeal the three first sections of an act passed February 20th, 1854, entitled An act prescribing the duties of Registers, and for other purposes, and recommended its rejection.

On Bill, No. 55, to increase the fees of witnesses, and recommended its rejection.

On Bill, No. 93, for the relief of the heirs of Samuel Saffell, deceased, of the county of Blount, and desired to be released from its further consideration.

Mr. Cavitt, from the Committee on Incorporations, reported as follows :

The Committee on Incorporations, to whom were referred sundry bills, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to make the following report:

On Bill, No. 32, to incorporate the Knoxville Building and Loan Association.

Bill, No. 107, to charter the City Building and Loan Association of Nashville, and recommend their passage.

Also, on Bill, No. 134, to repeal all laws incorporating the town of Columbus, in Polk county, and recommend that the bill be amended by inserting in the second section after the words, "Old Federal Road," the words "or any other county road," and add to the close of the second section the following proviso, viz :

Provided, nothing in this act shall be construed so as to deprive the County Court of the power they now have by law, of laying out roads through the property mentioned in this act.

Resolution, No. 48, was taken up, being Saturday's unfinished business, and

On motion of Mr. Dortch,

The resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. Kinney introduced Bill, No. 142,

To prohibit Attorneys General from sending bills of indictment,

or by presentment before the Grand Jury, without the name of the prosecutor ;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Bullen introduced Bill, No. 143 ;

A bill to reduce the price of public printing ;

Which was read the first time and passed, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Cloud introduced Bill, No. 144, entitled

A bill to change the name of Tazewell Academy ;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. Armstrong introduced Bill, No. 145 ;

A bill to be entitled An act to amend the law of Practice and Pleading in cases of slander ;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. Cavitt withdrew the motion he had entered,

To reconsider the vote passing Bill, No. 44, on its third reading.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, moved

That the bill be transmitted at once to the Senate ;

Which motion prevailed.

On Motion of Mr. Travis,

Resolution, No. 41, was taken up, and

The House refused to reconsider the vote adopting it.

Mr. Cavitt moved

That the resolution be transmitted at once to the Senate ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr Bullen introduced Resolution, No. 49, as follows :

Resolved, That the Doorkeeper be instructed to keep a true list of all the members who object to avail themselves of the provisions of a resolution recently passed by this House in relation to franking privileges, and report to this House some time previous to the close of this session ;

Which was laid over under the rule.

Senate Resolution, No. 23, was, on motion of Mr. Carlock, referred to the Committee on Lunatic Asylum.

Senate Bill, No. 8, was, on motion, laid on the table.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

To take up the Calendar in order.

Mr. Dortch moved

To take up Resolution, No. 48 ;

Which motion failed.

A Message from the Senate, No. 12, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has passed, upon its third and last reading, Senate Bill, No. 2, to amend the act of 1854, chapter 127, establishing a Chancery Court at Newport, in the county of Cocke ; and the same is herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives.

The Speaker of the Senate has appointed as a committee from that body, to act in conjunction with such committee as may be appointed by the House, to ascertain the number of Acts and Journals of this General Assembly necessary to be printed for distribution, Messrs. Hall and Sheid. The Senate has adopted the following Resolution, No. 29 :

Resolved, That so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the amendments to the Federal Constitution be referred to a joint select committee of three, on the part of the Senate, and such committee as may be appointed on the part of the House ; and that they report on the same as early as practicable. And the Speaker has appointed Messrs. Stokes, Fletcher and Atkins, on the part of the Senate.

Mr. Nixon moved

To lay the resolution on the table ;

Which prevailed.

House bills on third reading were taken up.

Bill, No. 96.

To establish the county of Cumberland, in this State,

Was read third time, and

Mr. Brien moved to lay the bill on the table.

Motion failed.

Mr. Brien moved to amend ;

Which amendment was afterwards withdrawn.

The bill being upon its passage,

Mr. Brien demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—51.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brien, Bullen, Cook, Donelson, Galbreath, Harris, Nixon, Richey, Taylor, Wilson of Carroll, and Wood of Cannon—12.

The bill was passed upon its third reading.

Mr. Kinney returned Bill, No. 38, which he had withdrawn for amendment, without any amendment ;

Which bill was referred, on motion of Mr. Kinney, to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Algee introduced Bill, No. 146,

To amend the laws of 1825, chapter 56 ;

Which was read the first time and passed, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Tompkins introduced Bill, 147,

To amend the Revenue Law ;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Cavitt obtained leave to withdraw Bill, 73.

Bill, No. 118,

To amend an act passed 9th February, 1850,

Was read the third time and passed.

Bill, No. 120,

To incorporate the Nicojack Railroad and Mining Company,

Was read third time and passed.

Bill, No. 126,

To change the line between the counties of Hickman and Lewis,

Was read third time and passed.

Bill, No. 127,

To establish a Chancery Court at Altamont, in Grundy County,

Was read third time and passed, after amendment by its author,

Mr. Northcutt.

Senate Resolution, No. 24,

Directory to the Secretary of State,

Was taken up, and

Mr. Bullen moved

That Greene county be brought within the provisions of the Resolution.

Mr. Massengill moved

That the Resolution apply also to Sullivan county.

The Resolution, on motion of Mr. Wood, of Cannon, was laid on the table.

Senate Bill, No. 4,

To repeal section 3rd of the act of 1853, chapter 72,

Was taken up and passed first reading.

Mr. Harris, from Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that Bill, No. 44, was correctly engrossed.

Senate Bill, No. 2,

To amend the act of 1854, chapter 127, establishing a Chancery Court at Newport, in the county of Cocke,

Was read first time and passed, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Massengill,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

House Bills, on second reading, were taken up.

Bill, No. 37,

To repeal the first three sections of an act passed February 20, 1854, entitled An act prescribing the duties of Registers, and for other purposes,

Was taken up.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

A non-concurrence in the report of the Committee recommending the rejection of the bill.

The motion prevailed, and the bill passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 12,

For the benefit of *femes covert*,

Was read first time and passed.

House Bill, No. 55,

To increase the fees of witnesses,

Was taken up. The report of the committee recommending its rejection was concurred in, and the bill,

On motion of Mr. Cavitt,

Was indefinitely postponed.

Bill, No. 32,

To incorporate the Knoxville Building and Loan Association,

Was taken up.

Mr. Bullen moved to amend.

Mr. Armstrong moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

Mr. Mathis demanded the ayes and noes, and

Mr. Bullen withdrew his motion.

The report of the committee recommending the passage of the bill was concurred in, and the bill passed its second reading,

Bill, No. 43,

To guard against accidents upon railroads, and to protect the lives and property of the citizens,

Was taken up.

Mr. Dortch proposed an amendment;

Which was rejected.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, proposed an amendment.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, proposed an amendment to Mr. Brown's amendment;

Which was accepted by him.

Mr. Galbreath moved

To amend by taxing the railroads for the purpose of placing signs where public roads cross railroads.

Mr. Stovall moved

To lay Mr. Galbreath's resolution on the table;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Bullen moved

To refer the bill to the Judiciary Committee ;

But subsequently withdrew his motion.

Mr. Runnels proposed an amendment ;

Which was rejected.

The amendments proposed by the committee, and Mr. Brown of Madison's amendment, were concurred in, and the bill then passed its second reading.

Mr. Harris, from Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported

Bill, No. 44, An act for the benefit of W. J. Farris, correctly enrolled.

Mr. Meek introduced Bill, No. 148, entitled A bill to be entitled An act to amend the Charter of the Strawberry Plains College, passed February 6, 1850 ;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Bill, No. 134,

To repeal all laws incorporating the town of Columbus, in Polk county, Tennessee,

Was taken up.

The report of the committee on Internal Improvements concurred in, and the bill, as amended, passed second reading.

Mr. Cox introduced Bill, No. 149 ;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

To take up Résolution, No. 45 ;

Which was done.

Mr. Wallace moved

To amend by striking out "25th," and inserting 30th, October.

Mr. Dunnington moved

To amend by striking out "a Treasurer of the State, a Comptroller of the Treasury," and "inserting "and Public Printer," and by fixing upon the 30th inst. for the election ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Cavitt moved the previous question ;

Which motion prevailed.

Pending which, on motion of Mr. Hatton,

The House then adjourned till 10 to-morrow.

TUESDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 23, 1855.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Bullen, from Committee on Public Roads and Highways, reported on Bill, No. 31, giving Presley Carden further time to finish his Turnpike Road, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Newman, from special committee to wait on Messrs. R. J. Meigs and W. F. Cooper, reported that those gentlemen would prepare shortly a report.

Mr. Meek asked and obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 70.

Mr. White, from the Committee on New Counties and County Lines, reported on Bill, No. 2, to change the line between DeKalb, Putnam, and Cannon counties, and recommended its passage.

Upon Bill, No. 14, to alter the lines between the Counties of Mc-Minn and Monroe, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Dunnington, from committee to make arrangements for the inauguration of the Governor elect, reported as follows :

The joint committee of the two Houses appointed in compliance with a Resolution to make arrangements for the inauguration of Andrew Johnson, the Governor elect, beg leave to report that they have made all necessary arrangements for the same, with the following order of proceedings: That the House shall adjourn at precisely half-past 10 o'clock, and prepare to receive the Senate. That the Speakers of the two Houses then wait upon Andrew Johnson, Governor elect, and escort him to the Speaker's Chair of the House, where, at precisely 11 o'clock, the ceremony of inauguration shall take place.

JOHN W. HEAD,
Chairman of the Senate Committee.

F. C. DUNNINGTON,
Chairman of the House Committee.

The report was concurred in by the House.

Mr. Hatton moved

To take up Resolution, No. 45 ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Hatton moved

Its indefinite postponement, but withdrew his motion.

Mr. Cavitt, on the final question, in relation to the adoption of Resolution, No. 45, called for the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes.—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—33.

Noes.—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, De-

Witt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—36.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

To take up Resolution, No. 44,

Which was done.

Mr. Hatton moved

To amend the resolution, but subsequently withdrew his amendment and introduced a resolution in lieu of Resolution, No. 44, as follows :

Be it Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That the two Houses of this General Assembly meet in Convention in the Hall of the House of Representatives, on Friday, the 26th day of October inst., for the purpose of electing a Treasurer of the State, Comptroller of the Treasury, and Secretary of State.

Mr. Bobo moved

To adjourn till 10 o'clock to-morrow ;

Which motion was lost.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, moved

That the ladies be invited to occupy seats within the bar of the House ;

Which was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Harris moved

That the House take recess preparatory to meeting the Senate in Convention, to go into the inauguration ;

Which was carried.

The House was called to order, and the Senate received.

In Convention,

In accordance with the arrangement established, the Speakers of the House and Senate proceeded to escort the Governor elect to the Speaker's Chair ; which being done, prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. Bayless. The Governor elect then proceeded to deliver his inaugural address. The oath of office was then administered to the Governor elect, by Hon. Wm. R. Harris, Judge of the Supreme Court of Tennessee. Prayer was then offered by the Rev. J. B. Ferguson. The Governor, escorted by the Speakers, then left the Hall, and the members of the Senate retired to their Chamber, and the House was called to order by the Speaker.

Mr. Nixon moved

That in accordance with custom, the House do now adjourn till to-morrow, 10 o'clock.

Mr. Dortch demanded the ayes and noes, and the motion was withdrawn.

Mr. Cavitt renewed the motion withdrawn by Mr. Nixon.

Mr. Dortch demanded the ayes and noes, and the motion was withdrawn.

Mr. Cavitt moved a call of the House.

All members present except Messrs. Easterly, Fielder, Gallaway and Mabry.

Mr. Harris moved

To adjourn till to-morrow, 10 o'clock, in accordance with the universal custom of previous Legislatures on the day of the inauguration of Governors elect, and demanded the ayes and noes on his motion, which were as follows :

Ayes.—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—35.

Noes.—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—35.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Dunnington moved

To send for absentees ;

Which motion he subsequently withdrew.

Mr. Nixon renewed the motion withdrawn by Mr. Dunnington ;

Which motion prevailed, and the Doorkeeper was dispatched for absentees.

Mr. Smith moved

To adjourn till 3 o'clock, P. M. ;

Which motion failed.

Mr. Shemwell asked and obtained leave to convey to Mr. Fielder, at his boarding house, a telegraphic dispatch he had just received for that gentleman.

Mr. Stovall moved

To adjourn till 2 o'clock, P. M. ;

Which motion failed.

Mr. Tipton asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Fielder on account of ill health.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To take recess till absentees should arrive ;

Which motion was lost.

Mr. Bullen moved

To lay Mr. Hatton's resolution, in lieu of Resolution, No. 44, on the table ;

Which motion failed.

Mr. Dunnington moved

To amend the Resolution, No. 44, by striking out all officers but Secretary of State.

The ayes and noes being demanded, were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Dunnington, Donelson, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshal, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—34.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—35.

Mr. Newman offered the following substitute for Mr. Hatton's resolution, in lieu of Resolution, No. 44 :

Resolved, That this House will meet the Senate in Convention, on the 24th inst., to go into the election of Secretary of State, Public Printer, Treasurer, and Comptroller ;

Which substitution the House refused to accept.

The question was then put on the resolution of Mr. Hatton, in lieu of Resolution, No. 44 ;

And the resolution in lieu was accepted.

Mr. Cavitt offered the following in lieu :

Whereas, Several members of this House are now sick and unable to be in their seats ; therefore,

Resolved, That this House will not go into an election of any of the State officers until all the members of this House are in their seats.

Mr. Davie moved

To lay the resolution in lieu, introduced by Mr. Cavitt, on the table ;

Upon which motion, Mr. Cavitt demanded the ayes and noes ;

Which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—35.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—34.

And the motion to lay on the table accordingly prevailed.

Mr. Looney moved the previous question ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Cowden moved

To adjourn till 3 o'clock, this afternoon ;

Which motion failed.

Mr. Bullen moved

To adjourn till half-past 2 o'clock, this afternoon ;

Which motion was lost.

Mr. Bullen moved

That the House adjourn till half-past 1 o'clock, this afternoon, and that the journal show the time of day at which the motion was made ;

Upon which, the ayes and noes being demanded,

The motion was lost, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—33.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—36.

Mr. Newman moved

To adjourn till to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock, in accordance with past usages on all occasions of inaugurating Governors of this State ;

Which motion was lost.

Mr. Cowden moved

To adjourn till 2 o'clock, this afternoon ;

Upon which motion, the ayes and noes being demanded,

It was lost by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—32.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—37.

Mr. Nixon moved

A division of the question, by taking the vote as to Comptroller and Treasurer, together ; and the vote as to Secretary of State, separately ;

Which motion the Speaker decided to be out of order.

Mr. Bullen introduced the following resolution :

Whereas, It has been the custom of this House to adjourn at, or

near 12 o'clock, for the purpose of retiring to our respective houses of entertainment for dinner; and whereas, it is now 1 o'clock; therefore,

Resolved, That this House adjourn till three-quarters after 2 o'clock, P. M.;

Which resolution the Speaker decided out of order, as the House had sustained the call for the previous question.

Mr. Cowden moved

That the House adjourn till 4 o'clock, this afternoon;

Upon which motion, the ayes and noes being demanded,

The House refused to adjourn by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Smith, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—32.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—37.

The motion to put the main question having carried,

The main question was accordingly submitted, and the Resolution, No. 44, as offered by Mr. Hatton, adopted.

Mr. Hatton moved

To reconsider the vote adopting Resolution, No. 44.

Mr. Newman moved

To adjourn till half past 3 o'clock this afternoon;

Which motion was lost.

Mr. Galbreath moved

To lay Mr. Hatton's motion to reconsider on the table; upon which, the ayes and noes being demanded, the motion was rejected by the following vote, viz:

Ayes.—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Richey, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—31.

Noes.—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—33.

The motion to reconsider being then submitted, and the ayes and noes being demanded, the House refused to reconsider by the following vote, viz:

Ayes.—Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gilbert, Kinney, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Richey, Smith, Stovall, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—27.

Noes.—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—36.

On motion of Mr. Dunnington,

The House adjourned till 10 o'clock, A. M. to-morrow.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 24, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Harris made an explanation in regard to the report of his remarks made in the House yesterday, in the "Banner" and "True Whig."

Mr. Harris introduced a Resolution, No. 50, as follows :

Resolved, That any Reporter who will for political or party purposes pervert and grossly misrepresent a member upon this floor is unworthy a seat within the bar of the Capitol, and shall be expelled from the House of Representatives.

Mr. Newman moved a suspension of the rule ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Snodgrass introduced the following amendment :

Resolved further, That no such things have taken place in this Hall, and does not apply to any gentlemen who have occupied seats as Reporters in this Hall.

Mr. Galbreath moved

That the amendment be laid on the table ; but, at the request of Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, withdrew his motion.

Mr. Dortch moved

To lay the whole matter on the table ;

Which motion prevailed.

A message was received at the hands of Mr. Dunnington, from the Governor, as follows :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
October 24, 1855. }

Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives :

In obedience to law, I do hereby nominate for your approval and confirmation, the following named persons as Directors for the Bank of Tennessee, viz :

Cave Johnson, of Montgomery County	
Michael Burns, of Davidson	"
Mason Vannoy,	"
Francis W. McGavock	"
Hugh Douglass,	"
James Nichol,	"
John McGavock, of Willianson	"
John W. Childress, of Rutherford	"
Thomas G. Wood, of Cannon	"
John K. Howard of Wilson	"
S. M. Cardwell, of Smith	"
J. R. A. Tompkins, of Sumner	"
Daniel D. Claiborne, of Macon	"
John S. Hutchison, of Robertson	"

ANDREW JOHNSON.

Mr. Meek moved

To lay the message on the table for the present ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Brown of Davidson, Mr. Wood of Hardeman in the Chair, introduced Bill, No. 150,

To incorporate the Nashville and Memphis United States Mail Packet Line, and for other purposes ;

Which was read the first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. Brown, of Davidson, introduced Bill, No. 151,

To amend an act entitled An act to charter the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company, and the several acts amending said act passed by the Legislatures of Kentucky and Tennessee ;

Which was read the first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Cox asked leave of absence for Mr. Little, until Friday morning ;

Which was granted.

Mr. Brown, of Davidson, moved

To take up his resolution, introduced October 18th, and laid on the table, providing for the establishment of a National Agricultural Bureau ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall moved

That the resolution be referred to the Committee on Agriculture ;

Which motion was lost, and

The resolution was adopted by the House.

Mr. Snodgrass introduced a Bill, No. 152,
For the mutual benefit of creditors and debtors;
Which was read the first time and passed and referred to the
Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Rudd introduced Bill, No. 153,
To allow Sarah A. Prock to open a Turnpike Road;
Which was read the first time and passed, and referred to the
Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. Dunnington introduced Bill, No. 154,
To regulate the collection of executions, and for other purposes;
Which was read the first time and passed, and referred to the
Judiciary Committee.

House Bill, No. 14,
To alter the line between the counties of McMinn and Monroe,
Was taken up and passed its second reading.

Bill, No. 31,
Giving Presley Carden further time to complete his Turnpike
Road,

Was taken up and passed its second reading.

Bill, No. 147,

To amend the Revenue Laws,

Was taken up and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Harris from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported on
Bills, Nos. 118, 120, 126, 127, that said Bills were correctly en-
grossed.

Bill, No. 72,

To amend an act entitled An act to incorporate the Mississippi,
Central and Tennessee Railroad Company,

Was taken up and passed its second reading.

Bill, No. 98,

For the benefit of the Tennessee Western and Charleston Rail-
road Company,

Was taken up and laid on the table till to-morrow.

Bill, No. 122,

To repeal an act passed January 24th, entitled An act to regu-
late county subscriptions to railroad stock, and for other purposes.

Mr. Newman offered an amendment,

Which was ruled out of order.

Mr. Burch moved

To amend by inserting the following provision :

Provided the act of the 24th January, 1854, entitled An act to
regulate county subscriptions for railroad stock shall remain in
full force and virtue as to the county of Hamilton.

Mr. Newman moved

That Franklin county be included within the provisions of Mr.
Burch's amendment.

Mr. Bullen moved

To indefinitely postpone the bill,

Upon which motion Mr. Dunnington demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes.—Messrs. Armstrong, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Travis, Watkins, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—35.

Noes.—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Meek, Parks, Pegue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—30.

On motion of Mr. Bobo

The House adjourned till 3 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Mr. Carlock introduced Bill, No. 155, entitled
A bill to prevent incompetent persons from teaching free schools,
Which was read the first time and passed, and referred to the
Committee on Education and Common Schools.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, introduced Bill, No. 156,
For the relief of the securities of Wm. B. Holden, late sheriff of
Marshall county,

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Cobb introduced Bill, No. 157,
For the benefit of owners of land sold for taxes and Common
Schools,

Which was read the first time and passed, and referred to the
Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Cavitt introduced a Bill, 158,
Repealing all laws authorizing the courts of this State to incor-
porate towns ;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. White introduced a Bill, No. 159,
To incorporate the Rosetta Mining and Smelting Company ;
Which was read the first time and passed, and referred to the
Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. Welcker introduced a Bill, No. 160,
To provide for the emancipation of slaves and the transporta-
tion of free persons of color to the West coast of Africa ;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. Mathis introduced a Bill, No 161,

To provide for widows and children ;

Which was read the first time and passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Massengill moved

A reconsideration of the vote incorporating the county of Cumberland, Bill, No. 96 ;

Upon which motion, Mr. Snodgrass demanded the ayes and noes which were as follows :

Ayes.—Messrs. Bobo, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Cobb, Cook, Cowden, Donelson, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Massengill, Mathis, Pope, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon—22.

Noes.—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bazelon, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cloud, Colquet, Colburn, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch,^o Dunnington, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, Mr. Speaker Brown—44.

Mr. Hatton from Committee on Penitentiary, reported on Bill, No. 59,

To repeal the 8th section of the act of 1829, chapter 38, and to provide for the election of Agent of the Penitentiary, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Bullen introduced a Bill, No. 162,

To regulate the sale of spirituous and vinous liquors in this State ;

Which was read the first time and passed, and referred to the Committee on Tippling and Tippling Houses.

Mr. Cook introduced a Bill, No. 163,

To amend the act of 1779, chapter 10 ;

Which was read the first time and passed, and referred to the Committee on Tippling and Tippling Houses.

On motion of Mr. Gilbert,

Bill, No. 78, to amend the Revenue laws of this State,

Was taken up and passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Brien,

The House adjourned till to-morrow, 10 o'clock, to enable the Committee to consider the business before them.

THURSDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 25, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Dunnington presented a petition from the Mayor and Aldermen of the town of Williamsport.

On motion of Mr. Donelson,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Fielder, on account of sickness in his family.

Mr. Kinney asked leave of absence for Mr. Richey ;

Which was granted.

Mr. Donelson introduced Resolution, No. 51, as follows :

Whereas, The Constitution of the State of Tennessee provides that a well regulated system of Internal Improvements should be encouraged ; and whereas, many laws have been passed by the State, with a view to this encouragement, causing a deep indebtedness ; and whereas, many of the counties have, by subscriptions in the stocks of various railroad companies, become, also, greatly indebted ; and whereas, the Legislature of Tennessee should guard and protect the interest of the State and the counties ; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Committee on Internal Improvements be, and they are hereby, instructed to examine the various laws on the subject, and report a bill that will best secure the object in view—the interest of the State and counties—and thereby fulfil the requirements of the Constitution, providing for a well regulated system of Internal Improvements.

The rule was suspended, and the resolution adopted.

Mr. Nixon, from the Committee on Claims, reported that the Committee recommended the passage of Bill, No. 69,

For the benefit of James McGee.

Mr. Brien, from Judiciary Committee, reported on Bill, No. 10, To amend the Criminal Law in relation to cost ;

And recommended its passage.

On Bill, No. 26,

To amend the act of 1835, chapter 6, section 8, designating the appointment, pay, &c., of jurors ;

And recommended its passage, with certain amendments proposed by the Committee.

On Bill, No. 38,

To amend an act entitled An act to enable all persons charged with the assets of estates to have the evidences of payment by them perpetuated, and for other purposes ;

And recommended its passage, with certain amendments.

On Bill, No. 7,

To regulate subscriptions to railroad stock in the counties of Gibson, Haywood, and Henry.

The Committee recommend a bill in lieu, and recommend its passage.

Mr. Northcutt, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported on Bill, No. 4,

To abolish military duty ;

And recommended its passage.

Mr. Algee introduced Bill, No. 164,

To repeal the 10th section of an act passed 1777, chapter 23, and to regulate the duties of millers ;

Which was read the first time and passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

On motion of Mr. Algee,

Resolution, No. 44, was ordered to be transmitted to the Senate.

Mr. Nixon moved to take up Resolution, No. 47,

Providing for the liquidation of the Bank of Tennessee ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Brown of Davidson, Mr. Holmes in the Chair, proposed the following amendment :

Resolved, also, that, to supply the vacuum created by the withdrawal of the Bank of Tennessee, it is expedient to retain the free banking system, with amendments to guard against abuses.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Runnels moved to amend by the following proviso :

Provided, the amount of money now appropriated to common schools be not lessened thereby.

Mr. Cavitt moved to lay the amendment on the table.

Mr. Runnels demanded the ayes and noes thereon, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Cavitt, Carmichael, Gilbert, Pope, Travis, and Wood of Hardeman—8.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madson, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Donelson, Dunnington, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—59.

A Message, No. 13, was received from the Senate by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has passed upon its third and last reading, Senate Bill, No. 5, entitled A bill to amend an act to authorize and regulate county subscriptions to railroad stock, passed 22d January, 1852, and the same is herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has also passed on their third and last reading, House Bills with their following numbers and titles, viz : No. 18,

Directory to the Circuit Court Clerk of Washington County ; No. 19, To authorize the Governor to endorse and guarantee duplicate bonds of the Nashville and Chattanooga Railroad Company, in place of those destroyed by fire. And the same are herewith returned for enrollment.

The Senate has also adopted and passed upon its third reading, A Bill in lieu of House Bill, No. 23, entitled A bill to allow interchange of Judges and Chancellors ; and the said bill is herewith returned for the action of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has rejected House Resolution, No. 41, in relation to paying postage out of the Public Treasury on Public Documents, and the same is herewith returned.

I am directed to transmit to the House of Representatives the Reports of the Inspectors and Keepers of the Tennessee Penitentiary, for the two years ending September the 30th, 1855, accompanied by financial and other tables, for the consideration of the House.

The Senate has also passed upon its third and last reading, Senate Bill, No. 7, entitled A bill to charter the Winchester Building and Loan Association, and the same is herewith transmitted for the action of the House.

On motion of Mr. Galalway,

The House adjourned till 3 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Mr. Hatton moved

That the resolution in regard to the Bank of Tennessee be made the special order of the day for Nov. 8th, prox. ;

Which motion was lost.

Mr. Harris, from Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that Bills, Nos. 18, directory to the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Washington County, and 19, authorizing the Governor to endorse and guarantee duplicate bonds of the Nashville and Chattanooga Railroad Company, in place of those destroyed by fire, are correctly enrolled.

Mr. Cavitt moved

That the resolution in regard to the Bank of Tennessee be divided.

Mr. Parks offered the following amendment :

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That in order to ascertain the propriety and necessity of placing the Bank of Tennessee in liquidation, a committee of three persons

in each banking district be appointed by this General Assembly, to investigate said bank and its branches, and report the true condition thereof to the present session of the Legislature ;

Which, on motion of Mr. Dunnington, was laid on the table.

Mr. Carlock moved for the previous question ;

Which was carried.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To reconsider the motion sustaining the call for the previous question ;

Which failed.

The question being submitted, the ayes and noes were demanded, and were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Burch, Carlock, Cloud, Cobb, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Harris, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Massengill, Myatt, Nixon, Runnels, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—37.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Cowden, Fort, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Hatton, Mathis, Meek, Newman, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Stovall, Thomas, Walker, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall—26.

Mr. Looney moved

To take the Senate Resolution, No. 29, appointing a joint select committee to take into consideration the amendments proposed in the Governor's Message, to the Federal Constitution.

Mr. Newman moved

To lay Mr. Looney's motion on the table ;

Which failed.

Mr. Nixon moved

The indefinite postponement of the resolution and demanded the ayes and noes.

Mr. White moved.

To lay Mr. Nixon's motion on the table ;

Which was carried.

Mr. Dunnington moved

To amend the resolution, so that the Committees on Federal Relations of the two Houses be substituted in place of Joint Select Committee.

On motion of Mr. Thomas,

The House adjourned till 10 o'clock to-morrow.

FRIDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 26, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Robert L. Lapsley.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, from the Committee on Internal Improvements, reported on

Bill, No. 48, to amend the charter of the Nashville and North Western Railroad Company, and to transfer a portion of its State aid to the Memphis and Ohio Railroad Company, and recommended that, with certain amendments proposed by the committee, the bill pass.

Bill, No. 151, A bill to amend an act entitled An act to charter the Louisville and Nashville Railroad, and the several acts amending said act, passed by the Legislatures of Kentucky and Tennessee, and recommended the passage of the bill, with certain amendments proposed by the committee.

On motion of Mr. Cavitt,

Bill, No. 48, was made the special order of the day for 11 o'clock on Monday, the 29th of October, inst.

Mr. Cowden introduced

Bill, No. 165, to authorize John A. Roads to hawk and peddle on dry goods, without license ;

Which was read first time and passed.

Also a petition on same subject.

A Message, No. 14, was received from the Senate by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

I am directed to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate has concurred in House Resolution, No. 44, to bring on the election of Comptroller, Treasurer, and Secretary of State, this day. And the Senate has taken a recess of thirty minutes, preparatory to meeting the House of Representatives in Convention, for the business set for this day.

Mr. Dunnington moved

To take up Bill, 98 ;

Which was done, and the bill passed second reading.

Mr. Ball introduced Bill, No. 166, for the benefit of Sheriffs ;

Which was read first time and passed, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Holmes introduced Bill, No. 167, to authorize the establishment of the Memphis Water Works Company ;

Which was read first time and passed, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. Myatt introduced Bill, 169, to amend an act entitled An act to establish a system of common schools, passed February 28, 1854 ;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. Cloud introduced Bill, No. 169, to make certain cases felonies, &c.;

Which was read first time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Cook,

The House then took a recess of fifteen minutes, preparatory to going into Convention.

In Convention.

The Convention was called to order by the Speaker of the Senate.

Mr. Whitthorne moved

That the Convention take a recess of twenty minutes, before proceeding with the election of Comptroller, Treasurer, and Secretary of State, in order that Mr. Mabry, who was confined at his lodgings by sickness, might be sent for;

Which motion prevailed, and the Convention took recess.

After the lapse of twenty minutes, the Convention was again called to order.

Mr. Carter introduced the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President of this Convention appoint a Committee of three, whose duty it shall be to wait upon the member who is absent from sickness, the Representative from Warren, Mr. Mabry, and receive his vote in the election for Comptroller, Treasurer, and Secretary of State; and which, when received, shall be counted in the ballotings for said officers.

The President ruled the resolution out of order.

Mr. Carter appealed from the decision of the President.

After some debate, Mr. Holmes called for the previous question ;

Upon which motion,

Mr. Atkins demanded the ayes and noes ;

Which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch. Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—36.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—35.

In the affirmative :

Senators,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13
Representatives,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36
Total,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	49

In the negative :

Senators,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Representatives,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35
Total,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	47

The call for the previous question was sustained.

Mr. Atkins moved

To adjourn till 2½ o'clock, P. M. ;

Which motion failed.

Mr. Newman moved

That the Convention adjourn till 3 o'clock, P. M.

The ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Cavitt, were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman—35.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—36.

In the affirmative :

Senators,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11
Representatives,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35
Total,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	46

In the negative :

Senators,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14
Representatives,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36
Total,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50

And the Convention refused to adjourn.

Mr. Bullen moved

That the Convention adjourn until 2 o'clock, P. M.

The President ruled the motion to be out of order, on the ground that no motion could be put while the Chair was stating a question.

The previous question was then put, and the decision of the Chair was sustained.

The ayes and noes being demanded were as follows :

Ayes.—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colquet, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little,

Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—39.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Shemwell, Smith, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—31.

In the affirmative :

Senators,	-	-	-	-	-	13
Representatives,	-	-	-	-	-	39
Total,	-	-	-	-	-	52

In the negative :

Senators,	-	-	-	-	-	10
Representatives,	-	-	-	-	-	31
Total,	-	-	-	-	-	41

The decision of the Chair was sustained.

Mr. Dunnington moved

To adjourn until 2½ o'clock, P. M., as he had just learned from the physician of Mr. Mabry that he would be able to be present at that time.

Mr. Hall moved

To lay the motion on the table;

Which motion the President decided to be out of order.

Mr. Atkins demanded the ayes and noes on the motion; which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquett, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—37

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—34.

In the affirmative :

Senators,	-	-	-	-	-	00
Representatives,	-	-	-	-	-	37
Total,	-	-	-	-	-	37

In the negative :

Senators,	-	-	-	-	-	00
Representatives,	-	-	-	-	-	34

Total,	-	-	-	-	-	34
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And the motion prevailed,

And the Convention adjourned till 2½ o'clock, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention was called to order.

Mr. Stokes moved

To go on with the election of Comptroller.

Mr. Bullen moved

A call of the Convention ;

Which motion prevailed.

Members of the Convention all present except Messrs. Fielder and Mabry.

Mr. Atkins moved

To send for absentees ;

Which motion prevailed, and the Doorkeeper was dispatched for Mr. Mabry, Mr. Fielder having, by leave of the House, gone home, on account of illness in his family.

Mr. Mabry having arrived, the motion of Mr. Stokes prevailed, and the Convention proceeded to elect a Comptroller of the Treasury.

Mr. Rodgers nominated James C. Luttrell, of the county of Knox-

Mr. Atkins nominated James B. Lamb, of the county of Shelby.

Mr. Steele was excused from voting, he having paired off with Mr. Fielder.

The Convention then proceeded to ballot as follows :

For Mr. Luttrell—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White. Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—37.

For Mr. Lamb—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Duunington, Easterly, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardman—34.

For Mr. Luttrell—

Senators,	-	-	-	-	-	-	13
Representatives,	-	-	-	-	-	-	37

Total,	-	-	-	-	-	-	50
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For Mr. Lamb—

Senators,	-	-	-	-	-	-	11
Representatives,	-	-	-	-	-	-	34

Total,	-	-	-	-	-	-	45
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Mr. James C. Luttrell having received a majority of the votes cast, he was, by the President, declared duly and constitutionally elected Comptroller of the Treasury for the two years next ensuing after the expiration of the term of the present incumbent.

Mr. Carter moved

That the Convention now go into the election of Secretary of State ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Carter nominated Hugh Francis, of the county of Franklin.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, nominated F. N. W. Burton, of the county of Madison.

The Convention then proceeded to ballot as follows :

For Mr. Francis—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dnnnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—36.

For Mr. Burton—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—37.

For Mr. Francis—

Senators,	-	-	-	-	-	-	11
Representatives,	-	-	-	-	-	-	36

Total,	-	-	-	-	-	-	47
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For Mr. Burton—

Senators,	-	-	-	-	-	-	13
Representatives,	-	-	-	-	-	-	37

Total,	-	-	-	-	-	-	50
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Mr. F. N. W. Burton having received a majority of all the votes cast, was, by the President, declared duly and constitutionally elected Secretary of State for the term of four years from the expiration of the term of the present incumbent.

Mr. Stokes moved

To go into the election of Treasurer ;

Which motion prevailed.

Nominations were then declared in order.

Mr. Little nominated Matt. Martin, of the county of Bedford.

Mr. Rudd nominated G. C. Torbett, of the county of Davidson.

Mr. Galbreath nominated Absalom Johnson, of the county of White.

There being no more in nomination, the Convention proceeded to ballot as follows :

For Mr. Martin—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—35.

For Mr. Torbett—

Messrs. Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Cobb, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Gilbert, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Rudd, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon—17.

For Mr. Johnson—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Burch, Cloud, Colquet, Colburn, Easterly, Galbreath, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Myatt, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Whiteside, and Wood of Harde-man—20.

For Mr. Martin—

Senators,	-	-	-	-	-	-	13
Representatives,	-	-	-	-	-	-	35

Total,	-	-	-	-	-	-	48
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For Mr. Torbett—

Senators,	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
Representatives,	-	-	-	-	-	-	17

Total,	-	-	-	-	-	-	25
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For Mr. Johnson—

Senators,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Representatives,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20
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Total,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23

There being no election, the Convention proceeded to ballot the second time, with the following result :

For Mr. Martin—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—35.

For Mr. Torbett—

Messrs. Bobo, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Cobb, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Gilbert, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—21.

For Mr. Johnson—

Messrs. Ball, Burch, Cloud, Colquet, Colburn, Easterly, Galbreath, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Myatt, Northcutt, Pope, Richey and Whiteside—16.

For Mr. Martin—

Senators,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13
Representatives,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35
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Total,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	48

For Mr. Torbett—

Senators,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
Representatives,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21
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Total,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29

For Mr. Johnson—

Senators,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Representatives,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16
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Total,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19

Mr. Atkins moved

That the Convention adjourn until Monday the 12th day of November, proximo ;

Which motion failed.

Mr. Pope withdrew the name of Mr. Johnson.

The Convention then proceeded to ballot the third time as follows :

For Mr. Martin—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—35.

For Mr. Torbett—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman—37.

For Mr. Martin—

Senators,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13
Representatives,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35
Total,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	48

For Mr. Torbett—

Senators,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11
Representatives,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	37
Total,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	48

Then Mr. Newman moved

To adjourn until Wednesday the 8th day of November, proximo ;
Which motion failed.

There being no election, the Convention proceeded to ballot the fourth time, with the following result:

For Mr. Martin—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—35.

For Mr. Torbett—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman—38.

For Mr. Martin—

Senators,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13
Representatives,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35
Total,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	48

For Mr. Torbett—

Senators,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11
Representatives,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	38
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Total,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	49

Mr. Torbett having received a majority of the votes cast, he was declared duly and constitutionally elected Treasurer of the State of Tennessee for the two years next ensuing, from the expiration of the term of the present incumbent.

The Convention, having completed the business for which it had met, was dissolved, and the Senators returned to their chamber.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, moved

To take up Bill, No. 156, for the relief of the securities of Wm. B. Holden, late Sheriff of Marshall county ;

Which was done, and the bill passed its second reading; and was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, from the Committee on Internal Improvements reported on Bill, No. 38, to repeal the act declaring the North Fork of Obion River navigable, and recommended its passage.

On motion of Mr. Looney,

The House adjourned till 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 27, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker read an invitation from J. B. Lindsley, Dean of the Nashville University, requesting the House of Representatives to be present on Monday evening, the 29th, inst., at the Christian Church, to hear the Introductory Lecture to the Fifth Annual Course of Lectures in the Medical Department of said University, to be delivered by Prof. John M. Watson.

Mr. Nixon, from the Committee on Claims, reported as follows:

On Bill, No. 146, to be entitled An act to amend the act of 1825, chapter 56, and recommended its rejection.

On Bill, No. 156, for the relief of the securities of W. B. Holden, late Sheriff of Marshall county, and recommended its passage.

On Resolutions, Nos. 38 and 32, he reported that the Committee desired to be discharged from their further consideration.

The report was received by the House, and the Committee discharged from their further consideration, as desired.

Mr. Tipton asked and obtained leave of the House to withdraw Resolution, No. 38.

Mr. Pogue asked and obtained leave of the House to withdraw Resolution, No. 32.

Mr. Donelson introduced a petition from the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company, praying for an extension of the time allowed them within which to receive State aid.

Mr. Thomas introduced Bill, No. 170, entitled

A bill to be entitled An act to enable Constables to settle up their business;

Which passed its first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Dunnington introduced Bill, No. 171, entitled

A bill to amend an act incorporating the town of Williamsport, in the county of Maury;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Donelson introduced Bill, No. 172, entitled

A bill to extend the time for receiving State aid by the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company;

Which was read the first time and passed; and, by leave of the House, withdrawn for amendment.

Mr. Cox introduced Bill, No. 173, entitled

A bill to amend the act passed 2d, March, 1854, entitled An act to amend the charter of the Tennessee Marine and Fire Insurance Company, passed 25th November, 1853, and for other purposes;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Bartlett introduced Bill, No. 174, entitled

A bill to incorporate the Washington Fire Company, No. 6, in the City of Memphis;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Stovall introduced Bill, No. 175, entitled

A bill to authorize Wm. H. Guy and others to build a turnpike road in Obion county;

Which was read the first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, introduced Bill, No. 176, entitled

A bill to be entitled An act to authorize Justices of the Peace to correct errors in certain cases;

Which was read the first time, passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Davie introduced Bill, No. 177, entitled

A bill to incorporate the Clarksville Insurance Company;

Which was read the first time, passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Hatton introduced Bill, No. 178, entitled

A bill to be entitled An act for the establishment of a State Normal School and for other purposes;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Gleaves moved

To have four hundred and fifty copies of Bill, No. 178, printed for the use of the House of Representatives ;

Which motion failed.

Mr Wilson, of Marshall, moved

To order the printing of two hundred and fifty copies of Bill, No. 178, for the use of the House of Representatives ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Holmes introduced Bill, No. 179, entitled

A bill to establish a more efficient system of Common Schools ;

Which was read the first time and passed ; and

On motion of Mr. Holmes, one hundred and fifty copies were ordered to be printed for the use of the House of Representatives.

The Speaker introduced a Report of the Union Bank of Tennessee and Branches ;

Which was received and read, and on motion laid on the table.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, moved

To take up House Bill, No. 3,

Which was done ; and the amendments of the Senate, including E. G. Eastman and others, in the benefits of the bill, were concurred in, by the following vote, viz :

Ayes.—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—60.

Noes.—None.

Mr. Tompkins asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Runnels.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Dunnington.

Mr. Davie asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Fort, on account of sickness in that gentleman's family.

Mr. Carlock asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Bobo, on account of business of a private nature which demanded that gentleman's presence at home.

Mr. Carlock introduced a Petition from one hundred and nine citizens of Polk county in relation to intemperance, and praying for the abolition of the present license system, and the adoption of some prohibitory law ;

Which was received and read, and

On motion of Mr. Carlock,

Was referred to the Committee on Tippling and Tippling Houses.

Mr. Snodgrass introduced Bill, No. 180,

A bill to prescribe the duties of county Courts in the cases of runaway slaves ;

Which was read the first and passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Thomas introduced Bill, No. 181,

A bill to be entitled an act to restrict dram-shops and to regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors ;

Which was read the first time and passed, and referred to the Committee on Tippling and Tippling Houses.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, from the Committee to visit the Middle Division Fair, at Gallatin, submitted a report from the Joint Committee of the two Houses of this General Assembly, who attended said Fair ;

Which was received and read, and,

On motion of Mr. Parks,

Laid on the table until the report of the Secretary of the State Agricultural Bureau should be received, when both reports should be printed together.

Mr. Cook moved

To have 1000 copies of the report printed for the use of the House of Representatives ;

Which motion was lost.

Mr. Cowden introduced Bill, No. 182,

A bill to amend the act incorporating the Cornersville and Lewisburgh Turnpike Company ;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. Cox introduced Bill, No. 183,

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Nashville ;

Which was read the first time and passed, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

On motion of Mr. Gleaves,

The House adjourned till Monday morning, 10 o'clock.

MONDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 29, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Looney introduced a Petition from sundry merchants, of Maury county, praying for a repeal or modification of the tax on Merchants' License ;

Which was received and laid on the table.

Mr. Meek presented a Petition from citizens of Jefferson county, praying for additional compensation to Justices of the Peace ; Which was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that House Bill, No. 3, for the benefit of G. W. Turk and others, was correctly enrolled.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, from the Committee on Education and Common Schools, reported on Bill, No. 61, for the benefit of Columbia Academy in McMinn county, and recommended its rejection.

On Bill, No 155, To prevent incompetent persons from teaching free schools, and for other purposes, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Cavitt from the Committee on Incorporations, reported on Bill, No. 159, To incorporate the Rosetta Mining and Smelting Company, and recommended that the Bill be amended and passed.

On Bill, No. 150, To incorporate the Nashville and Memphis United States Mail Packet Line, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Bartlett introduced Bill, No. 184,

To amend the attachment laws of this State ;

Which was read the first time and passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

On motion of Mr. Gilbert,

Bill, No. 78, To amend the revenue laws of the State,

Was taken up, read the third time, and passed, by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—58.

Noes—Messrs. Brien, and Brown of Madison—2.

On motion of Mr. Gallaway

Senate Resolution, No. 24, Directory to the Secretary of State,

Was taken up, and adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Donelson, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—61.

Noes—None.

On motion of Mr. Galbreath,
Resolution, No. 39, was taken up.

Mr. Massengill moved that one district in Sullivan County be brought under the same provisions.

By leave of the House, the resolution was withdrawn by Mr. Galbreath for amendment.

Mr. Davie introduced Bill, No. 185,
To charter the Memphis Cotton Mills;

Which was read first time and passed, and referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, withdrew Bill, No. 156,

For the relief of the securities of Wm. B. Holden, for amendment.

Bill, No. 48, to amend the charter of the Nashville and Northwestern Railroad Company, and to transfer a portion of the State aid to the Memphis and Ohio Railroad Company, which was the special order of the day,

Was taken up.

The first amendment proposed by the Committee on Internal Improvements was concurred in.

The second amendment proposed by said Committee was rejected;

And the bill passed its second reading.

On motion of Mr. Wallace,

The House adjourned till 3 o'clock, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Armstrong introduced Bill, No. 186,

To charter the Knoxville, Louisville, and Paint Rock Railroad Company;

Which was read first time and passed, and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

A Message, No. 15, was received from the Senate by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has passed on its third and last reading House Bill, No. 6, entitled A bill to authorize the Broyles and Henshaw Bridge Com-

pany to build a toll-bridge across Nolachucky River, in Greene County, with an amendment; and the same is herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has also passed, upon their third and last reading, Senate bills of the following numbers and titles, to-wit: Senate Bill, No. 1, entitled A bill to amend the act incorporating the town of Winchester. Senate Bill, No. 10, entitled A bill to incorporate the Institute of Purdy, McNairy County. Senate Bill, No. 31½, entitled A bill to secure the widow her dower in certain cases; and Senate Bill, No. 39, entitled A bill to reduce the number of directors in the branches of the Union Bank of Tennessee; and the same are herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has also adopted joint resolutions directory to the President of the Bank of Tennessee, and directory to the committees in both branches on tippling and tippling houses.

I also directed to transmit to the House of Representatives the report of the Union Bank of Tennessee and branches.

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts with the following titles, and the same have been deposited with the Secretary of State:

An act directory to the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Washington County; and to authorize the Governor to endorse and guarantee duplicate bonds of the Nashville and Chattanooga Railroad Company, in place of those destroyed by fire; and an act for the benefit of G. W. Turk and others.

Mr. Donelson, from Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures, reported on Bill, No. 185,

To incorporate the Memphis Cotton Mills,
And recommended its passage.

Mr. Harris from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that Bill, No. 78, was correctly engrossed.

House Bill, No. 2, to change the lines between the counties of DeKalb, Putnam and Cannon,

Was read the second time and passed.

A motion to indefinitely postpone the same, made by Mr. Galbreath, having failed,

Bill, No. 14, to alter the line between the counties of McMinn and Monroe,

Was read third time and passed.

Bill, No. 26, to regulate the appointment, pay, &c., of jurors,
Was taken up.

Mr. Cook moved

To non-concur in that part of the report of the Judiciary Committee substituting seventy-five cents, in place of one dollar and fifty cents, as the *per diem* of talisman jurors;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Nixon moved

To strike out all, in the first section, after the word "treasury."

A Message, No. 16, was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

I am directed to transmit to the House of Representatives, House Bill, No. 42, to amend an act entitled An act to clear out the drift in the mouth of Forked Deer River, which has passed its third reading in the Senate, and has been ordered to be immediately transmitted to the House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. Cavitt,

The House adjourned till to-morrow, at 10 o'clock.

TUESDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 30, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Cox presented a petition from sundry citizens of Davidson, praying for the revival of the act of 1843 and '44, establishing the county of Cumberland, changing the name to that of Hoyle ;

Which was read and laid on the table.

Mr. Dunnington presented a petition from sundry citizens of Maury, praying for a modification of the tax on Merchants' License ;

Which was, on motion of Mr. Looney,

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported Bill, No. 14, A bill to alter the dividing line between the counties of McMinn and Monroe, correctly engrossed.

Mr. Bullen, from the Committee on Public Roads and Highways, reported that a majority of said committee recommend the passage of Bill, No. 175, A bill to authorize Wm. H. Guy, and others, to build a turnpike road in Obion county.

Mr. Brien, from Committee on the Judiciary, submitted the following report :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Judiciary Committee have had under consideration, Senate Bill, No. 2, to amend the act of 1834, establishing a Chancery Court at Newport, referred to them by this House.

They recommend that said bill pass.

Also, House Bill, No. 16, to establish uniform rules of the Circuit Courts upon the granting of new trials, and for other purposes.

The committee recommend that said bill be amended, by striking out the 4th and 5th sections; and, with this amendment, recommend that said bill pass.

All of which I am directed to report, and respectfully ask that this House concur.

Mr. Dortch introduced Bill, No. 187, A bill to incorporate the La-Grange Synodical College, in the county of Fayette;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. Brazelton introduced Bill, No. 188, A bill to be entitled

An act to amend an act passed the 23d day of January, 1846, entitled An act to tax and regulate Tippling and Tippling Houses;

Which was read first time and passed, and referred to the Committee on Tippling and Tippling Houses.

Mr. Algee introduced Bill, No. 189, A bill to be entitled

An act to compel all free persons of color, residing within the limits of the State of Tennessee, to emigrate to Liberia, or elsewhere beyond the boundary of this State;

Which was read first time and passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Massengill introduced Bill, No. 190, A bill giving the Blountsville, Middletown, and Elizabethton Turnpike Company further time to build their road;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. DeWitt introduced Resolution, No. 51, as follows:

Resolved, that the two Houses of this General Assembly adjourn *sine die* on the 24th day of December, 1855.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, moved

A suspension of the rule requiring resolutions to lie over one day;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Pope offered the following in lieu:

That this House adjourn on the 2nd day of December, 1855, *sine die*.

Mr. Looney introduced the following in lieu of the original Resolution, No. 51:

Resolved, That hereafter, the ordinary adjournments of this House shall be to the hours of nine o'clock in the morning, and to a quarter past two o'clock, in the afternoon.

Mr. Looney withdrew the resolution introduced by him in lieu of the original resolution.

Mr. Pope withdrew the resolution introduced by him in lieu of the original resolution.

Mr. Algee introduced the following by way of amendment to the original resolution:

Provided the business for which the public servants were elected to transact, be fully accomplished.

Mr. Colquet moved

The previous question ;

Which motion was lost.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To make Resolution, No. 51, and the amendments thereto, the special order for the 1st day of December, 1855.

Mr. Meek introduced the following in lieu of the original resolution :

Be it Resolved, That with a view to bring this session of the Legislature to a speedy and early termination, that not more than one hour each day shall hereafter be devoted to Buncombizing.

Mr. Parks moved

The previous question, and the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Parks, the motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—51.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Cloud, Cowden, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Massengill, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, and Pope—16.

The previous question being then submitted, and the ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Brien, it was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cock, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—59.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Burch, Cavitt, Gilbert, Kinney, Massengill, Nixon, and Pope—8.

On motion of Mr. Parks,

The House adjourned till 2½ o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Harris moved

A call of the House ;

Which motion prevailed.

Absent—

Messrs. Davie, Donelson, Dunnington, Looney, Parks, Pope, Shemwell, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Welcker, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—14.

And those granted leave of absence.

Bill, No. 70, to ascertain the will of the people of the State of Tennessee in regard to the sale of Spirituous Liquors, was returned by Mr. Meek, with a bill in lieu.

Mr. Bullen moved

To place the bill on the Calendar ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Cox introduced Bill, No. 191, to incorporate the Cumberland Manufacturing Company ;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Brien introduced Bill, No. 192, to prevent frauds in the formation of new counties ;

Which passed first reading and was referred to the Committee on New Counties and County Lines.

Mr. Bartlett introduced Bill, No. 193, to facilitate the taking of depositions and reduce the cost ;

Which was read first time and passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. DeWitt introduced Resolution, No. 52, as follows :

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That His Excellency the Governor be, and he is hereby requested to furnish this General Assembly with some plan whereby the evils of the present Penitentiary system in this State, of which he complains in his message, can be eradicated ;

Which was laid over under the rule.

Mr. Holmes introduced Bill, No. 194, to amend the 22d section of an act entitled An act to incorporate the Mechanics' Library Association of Fayetteville, and to reduce the several acts incorporating the town of Jackson into one act, and to amend the same, passed March 2, 1854 ;

Which passed its first reading.

Mr. Cavitt introduced a Resolution, No. 53, as follows :

Resolved, That this House will hold night sessions three nights each week, to-wit : Monday, Wednesday and Friday nights ;

Laid over under the rule.

Mr. DeWitt introduced Bill, No. 195,

To amend an act entitled An act to amend An act to establish a system of Internal Improvements in this State ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Ball introduced Bill, No. 196,

To amend the existing laws in relation to divorces, passed 1835-6, chapter 26 ;

Which passed the first reading, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Armstrong introduced Resolution, No. 54,

Declaring the sense of the General Assembly as to the proper use of the \$1000 derived from the State for the Eastern Division Fair for 1854 ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures.

Mr. Gleaves introduced Bill, No. 197,

To exempt Masonic Lodges, Odd Fellows' Halls and Temperance Halls from taxation ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Bobo introduced Resolution, No. 55 :

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That from and after the first day of December next, no member of this House shall be permitted to introduce any bill, upon any question whatever, unless by petition or memorial, and not even then, unless recommended by one of the standing committees.

Mr. Harris moved

A suspension of the rule ;

Which motion failed, and the resolution was laid over.

Mr. Cobb introduced a Petition from sundry citizens of Polk county asking for an appropriation to render the Hiwassee River navigable ;

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Parks introduced Resolution, No. 56, as follows :

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That in order to ascertain the propriety and necessity of placing the Bank of Tennessee in liquidation, a committee of three persons in each banking district be appointed, by this General Assembly, to investigate the said Bank and branches and to report the true condition thereof to the present session of the Legislature.

Mr. Myatt introduced Bill, No. 198,

For the benefit of the citizens of the county of Scott ;

Which passed its first reading.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Donelson, on account of pressing business at home.

Mr. Dunnington introduced Bill, No. 199,

To provide for the payment of certain State bonds ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. White introduced Bill, No. 200,

To amend the charter of the Knoxville and Charleston Railroad Company.

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Ward introduced Bill, No. 201,

To amend an act passed 2d March, 1854, entitled An act to secure the completion of Turnpike Roads in Smith, Wilson, and Sumner counties by State credit, and for other purposes ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Cox introduced Bill, No. 202,

To establish the county of Crockett ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on New Counties and County Lines.

Mr. Bullen introduced Bill, No. 203,

To amend the laws in relation to turnpike roads, and proceedings against them, and for other purposes ;

Which passed first reading and was referred to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

On motion of Mr. Bartlett,

Bill, No. 174, To incorporate the Washington Fire Company, No. 6, in the city of Memphis,

Was taken up and passed its second reading.

On motion of Mr. Brien,

Bill, No. 2, To change the lines between DeKalb, Putnam and Cannon counties,

Was taken up.

Mr. Galbreath moved

To lay the bill on the table.

Which motion failed, and the bill passed third reading.

Mr. Looney introduced again, the Resolution he withdrew this morning, in regard to regular hours for adjournment.

Mr. Cavitt moved

That the rule be suspended as to all resolutions on the table ;

Which motion failed.

Mr. Davie moved

To take up Bill, No. 185 ;

Which motion failed.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, moved

To take up Bill, No. 156, For the relief of the securities of Wm. B. Holder, late Sheriff of Marshall county,

Which motion prevailed.

The amendment proposed was adopted.

Mr. Brien demanded the ayes and noes on the final passage of the bill, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gal-
laway, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Massengill, Ma-
this, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope,
Rudd, Shemwell, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward,
Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of

Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—52.

Noes—Messrs. Brien, Brown of Madison, Cook, DeWitt, Fort, Gleaves, Little, Smith, Snodgrass, and Stovall—10.

Mr. Cook introduced Bill, No. 204,

To amend the act passed December 16th, 1839, entitled An act to provide for the probate and registration of deeds and other instruments executed beyond the limits of the United States, and for other purposes ;

Which was read first time and passed.

Bill, No. 26, to amend the act of 1835-6, chapter 6, section 8, designating the appointment, pay, &c., of jurors,

Was taken up, and

Mr. Nixon's motion, to strike out all in first section after the word "treasury," was rejected.

Mr. Brien offered an amendment ;

Which was ruled out of order by the Speaker, on the ground that it was not germane to the objects of the bill.

Mr. Bullen offered to amend so as to increase the pay of Constables waiting on Courts, to one dollar and a half per day.

Mr. Cox offered to amend by making it the duty of Judges of the Circuit Courts to select jurors.

Mr. Tipton offered an amendment, exempting all counties where courts are not held longer than six days, at one term from the provisions of the bill.

Mr. Snodgrass moved to amend by exempting White, Putnam, and Cumberland counties, from the provisions of the bill.

Mr. Brazelton moved

To adjourn till to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock ;

Which motion failed.

Mr. Tipton moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill, and demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bobo, Brien, Bullen, Carlock, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, DeWitt, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Shemwell, Snodgrass, and Tipton—20.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Burch, Campbell, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Dunnington, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins Travis, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, and Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—43.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Carlock moved

To amend that it shall be discretionary with the County Courts, whether additional pay shall be allowed to jurors.

Mr. Dunnington having moved the previous question,

The House sustained the call.

The bill was then put upon its final passage.

Mr. Brien demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Burch, Campbell, Cavitt, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Dortch, Dunnington, Fort, Gallaway, Hatton, Holmes, Looney, Meek, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—35.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bobo, Brien, Bullen, Carlock, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, DeWitt, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Kinney, Little, Massengill Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Tipton, Tompkins, Welcker, and Wilson of Carroll—27.

The bill passed its third reading.

On motion of Mr Looney,

The House adjourned till to-morrow at half past 9 o'clock, A. M.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 31, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Burch presented a petition from sundry citizens of Hamilton county, in regard to a repeal or modification of taxes on merchants' license;

Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Holmes presented a petition from sundry citizens of Memphis, praying a repeal or modification of the law taxing brokers' license ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Looney presented the following report of the Judiciary Committee, to wit :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Judiciary Committee have had under consideration Resolution, No. 34, directory to the Attorney General of the State ; and submit a resolution in lieu thereof, and ask that it be adopted and passed.

Also, sundry Bills, to wit :

Bill, No. 25, to change the number of Circuit Courts to two instead of three.

Bill, No. 33, to provide for the election of Tax Collectors by the people.

Bill, No. 41, to regulate the appointment of Attorneys General, *pro tem*.

Bill, No. 52, to increase the liabilities of the members of corporations.

Bill, No. 71, to provide for the appointment of deputies.

All of which, I am directed to report that said committee recommend be severally rejected.

Also, Bills, Nos. 46 and 184, to amend the attachment laws, so as to authorize the issuance of attachments in certain cases before the debt falls due.

As said bills contemplate the same object, said committee therefore report a bill in lieu thereof; and ask that the same be received and passed. [See the bills in lieu marked Nos. 46 and 184.]

Bill, No. 65, to enforce the criminal law, and to compel the Circuit Court to charge the traverse as well as the grand juries.

The committee recommend that the 3d section be stricken out, (which declares that said bill take effect from its passage,) and with this amendment that the bill pass.

All of which, as directed, I respectfully report, and ask the concurrence of this House.

M. M. BRIEN, Chairman.

Minority Report.

MR. SPEAKER :

The undersigned, members of the Judiciary Committee, being in the minority when said Committee acted upon Bill, No. 25, to reduce the Circuit Courts to two instead of three terms per annum, could not resist the action of said committee in recommending the rejection of said bill.

With due deference to the opinions of the majority, we respectfully beg leave to differ; and hope this House will not concur with the action of said Committee. We believe the change contemplated by said bill a good one, and should be made; that justice requires it; that it is now almost impossible to hold all the courts in some circuits by the Judges thereof. Some circuits have nine counties; and in consequence of the number of counties in a circuit, and the number of courts in one year, in our opinion, unless reduced to two terms, new circuits will have to be formed, increasing additional expenses on the people; and in consequence of the number of Circuit Courts and Chancery Courts, they cannot be kept from conflicting, to the great inconvenience of the people. Without enumerating further reasons, we ask to be permitted to submit this minority report, and respectfully ask the House to non-concur with the report of the Committee.

M. M. BRIEN,
N. Y. CAVITT,
HERVEY BROWN.

November 1, 1855.

Mr. Dortch introduced Bill, No. 205,

To amend an act entitled An act to establish a State Agricultural Bureau, and for other purposes;

Which was read first time and passed, and referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures.

Mr. Carlock introduced Bill, 206,

To incorporate the Hibernia Mining Company ;

Which was read the first time and passed, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. Newman introduced a Bill, No. 207,

To protect barnyards, stockyards, &c. ;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. Holmes introduced Bill, No. 208,

To incorporate the Collierville Female College ;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. Bullen introduced a Bill, No. 209,

To make certain acts misdemeanors ;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. Algee withdrew Bill, 157, for amendment.

° Senate Resolution, No. 20, directory to the Committee on Tippling and Tippling Houses, adopted in lieu of Resolution, No. 20, October 25, 1855,

Was taken up, and the House refused to adopt it.

House Bill, No. 7, to authorize the Broyles and Henshaw Bridge Company to build a toll bridge across the Nolachucky River, which had been amended in the Senate,

Was taken up.

Mr. Bullen moved a non-concurrence in the Senate's amendments ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Kinney moved that the bill be transmitted forthwith to the Senate ;

Which motion prevailed.

House Bill, No. 31, giving Presley Carden further time to complete his turnpike road,

Was taken up.

Mr. Snodgrass moved to amend by striking out " five years," and insert " ninety nine years" ;

Which motion was withdrawn.

Mr. Pope moved to amend ;

But the amendment was ruled out of order, and the bill passed its third reading.

House Bill, No. 32, to incorporate the Knoxville Building and Loan Association,

Was taken up.

Mr. Bullen offered the following amendment :

Provided, Nothing contained in this act shall be so construed as to prevent the Legislature from amending or repealing the same when it is manifest the public good requires it.

The amendment was withdrawn, and the bill passed third reading.

House Bill, No. 37, to repeal the first three sections of an act

passed February 20, 1854, entitled An act prescribing the duties of Registers, and for other purposes,

Was taken up.

Mr. Snodgrass offered an amendment, providing that the Registers shall pay over the moneys in their hands to the County Court Clerks ;

Which amendment was adopted.

The bill being on its third reading, was passed by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brazelton, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichal Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Galbreath, Galloway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—49.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Brown of Madison, Dortch, Dunnington, Looney, Meek, and Taylor—9.

House Bill, No. 72, to amend an act to incorporate the Mississippi Central and Tennessee Railroad,

Was taken up, and passed third reading.

House Bill, No. 93, for the relief of the heirs of Samuel Saffell, deceased,

Was withdrawn by Mr. Colburn, for amendment.

House Bill, No. 98, for the benefit of the Tennessee Western and Charleston Railroad Company,

Was withdrawn by Mr. Holmes, for amendment.

House Bill, No. 107, to charter the City Building and Loan Association, passed third reading.

House Bill, No. 134, to repeal all laws incorporating the town of Columbus, in Polk county, Tennessee,

Was taken up.

Mr. Bullen moved

To strike out the preamble ;

Which motion prevailed,

And the bill passed third reading.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

That the bill be transmitted at once to the Senate ;

Which motion prevailed.

House Bill, No. 61, for the benefit of Columbia Academy, in McMinn county,

Was taken up.

Mr. Runnels moved

To amend by adding "and all other schools ;"

Which was accepted by Mr. Carlock.

Mr. Bullen proposed as an amendment, the following proviso :

Provided, Nothing contained in this act shall be so construed as to prejudice any established school, but shall be left entirely dis

cretionary with the Common School Commissioners having charge of said common school fund.

Mr. Bullen moved

Indefinitely to postpone the bill;

Upon which motion, Mr. Mathis demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Brazelton, Bullen, Campbell, Colquet, Colburn, Cox, DeWitt, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Looney, Nixon, Northcutt, Smith, Stovall, Whiteside, and Wood of Hardeman—18.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Cowden, Davie, Dortch, Fort, Galbreath, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Watkins, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—37.

The House refused indefinitely to postpone the bill.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, moved

That the bill and amendments be referred back to the Committee on Education and Common Schools ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

To amend, as follows :

Be it enacted, That all the funds brought into academies under the provisions of this bill, shall be credited to such children in such bounds as are not able to pay for their tuition ; and that such children be notified that they are permitted to come to such academy free of charge.

On motion of Mr. Runnels,

Bill, No. 102, for the benefit of parents and guardians,

Was referred to the Committee on Education and Common Schools.

On motion of Mr. Pope,

The House adjourned till half-past 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Newman introduced Resolution, No. 58, in regard to certain proposed amendments to the Constitution ;

Which was laid over.

Mr. Dunnington introduced a Bill, No. 210, to change the present system of Penitentiary labor;

Which was read first time and passed, and was referred to the Committee on Penitentiary.

Mr. Kinney introduced a Bill, No. 211, to amend the first section of the act of 1853, chap. 103;

Which passed first reading.

On motion of Mr. Cook,

Bill, No. 43, to guard against accidents on railroads, and to protect the lives and property of the citizens,

Was taken up.

Mr. Nixon moved

That the bill be laid on the table, and that seventy-five copies be ordered to be printed;

Which motion prevailed.

Bill, No. 174, to incorporate the Washington Fire Company, No. 6, in the city of Memphis,

Was taken up.

Mr. Davie proposed an amendment incorporating the Independent Eagle Fire Company, No. 2;

Which was adopted.

The bill passed third reading.

Bill, No. 47, to abolish Chancery Courts,

Was referred to Judiciary Committee.

Bill, No. 41, to regulate the appointment of Attorneys General *pro tem.*,

Was taken up.

Mr. Whiteside moved

A non-concurrence in the report of the Committee on Judiciary, recommending its rejection;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Dunnington moved

To amend the bill, by adding the words "provided the same would not be incompatible with the public interest," at the end of the first section.

Mr. Wallace offered an amendment, as follows:

Provided, There is a lawyer residing in the county, that is not counsel for any one of the defendants to be tried at said court;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Tipton moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill;

Which motion prevailed.

A Message from the Senate by Mr. Walker, their Clerk:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate recedes from its amendment to House Bill, No. 6, entitled
A bill to authorize the Broyles and Henshaw Bridge Company

to build a toll bridge across Nolachucky River, in Greene county ; and the said bill is herewith transmitted for enrollment.

The Senate has adopted the following resolution, to-wit :

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed by the Senate, to act with a committee which has been appointed by the House, on the subject of the Law Reform, and that they be a joint select committee ; and that they report at as early a day as practicable.

And the Speaker of the Senate has appointed Messrs. Head, Whitthorne, and Turney, said committee on the part of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Dunnington,

The House adjourned till 10 o'clock to-morrow.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker called attention to the fact that a mistake had occurred yesterday, in non-concurring in Senate's amendment to Bill, No. 6, in refusing to concur in the amendment to the bill that is to take effect from and after its passage.

Mr. Stovall moved

That the Clerk inform the Senate of the error, and request the Senate's concurrence in the correction made by the House, in re-substituting the above provision ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Looney presented a petition from the Stockholders of the Columbia and Hampshire Turnpike Company ;

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. Newman, a petition from citizens of Franklin county, in regard to repeal, &c., of tax on merchants' license ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, presented a similar petition from citizens of Cannon ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Brown of Davidson, a petition from certain citizens in regard to Intemperance ;

Which, on motion of Mr. Meek, was ordered to be transmitted to the Senate.

Mr. Smith withdrew Bill, No. 97, for amendment.

Mr. Brien, from the Judiciary Committee, reported as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Judiciary Committee have had under consideration sundry bills referred to them, and direct me to report

Bill, No. 97, To secure to married women the right and use of their property;

Bill, No. 113, To suppress drunkenness;

Bill, No. 111, To extend the powers of incorporated towns and cities;

Bill, No. 114, To amend the small offence law;

Bill, No. 119, To amend the act of 1827, chapter 54, in relation to the sale of land belonging to minors, and others;

Bill, 147, To amend the revenue laws, so as to make it the duty of the sheriff to collect the public taxes, instead of a separate tax collector;

Bill, No. 152, For the mutual protection of creditors and debtors.

Bill, No. 154, To regulate the collection of executions, and for other purposes;

Bill, No. 157, For the benefit of owners of land sold for taxes;

Bill, No. 176, To authorize Justices of the Peace to correct judgments, and for other purposes;

That said bills be, severally, rejected.

And Bills, Nos. 85 and 87, pertain to the same subject matter, the committee having considered them, believe the object of said bills to be correct; therefore, they offer a bill in lieu thereof. (See it marked 85—87.)

Bill, No. 108, The committee recommend that it be amended, by adding after the word "therefor" in the 14th line, these words : "And the cause or causes that give rise to the commission of each offence." This bill is directory to the Attorney General and Reporter.

Bill, No. 116, To amend the practice in criminal trial;

Bill, No. 129, to establish a Chancery Court at Cookville;

Bill, No. 92, To repeal a part of the chain party act of 1821; the Committee report a bill in lieu thereof.

The Committee recommend that each pass as herein recommended and indicated. All of which we respectfully ask the concurrence of this House.

M. M. BRIEN, Chm. Com.

November 1, 1855.

Mr. Meek, from the Committee on Elections, reported as follows :

The Committee on Elections have had the certificates of the members of this House under consideration, and have directed the following report :

That Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shem-

well, Smith, Stovall, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown have produced regular certificates of election. And the following gentlemen have produced no evidence of their election as members of this House :

Messrs. Dortch, Pope, Snodgrass, Taylor, and Thomas.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES M. MEEK, Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Dortch,

The report was received and the House dispensed with the necessity of the production of the certificates of election of members not filed.

Mr. Davie, from Committee on Banks, reported on Bill, No. 22, to repeal the act of February 12, 1852, called An act to authorize and regulate the business of banking, and recommended its rejection.

On Bill, No. 54, to charter the Bank of America, and recommended its passage.

On Bill, No. 86, to change the location of the Branch of the Bank of Tennessee from Sparta to McMinn, and recommended its rejection.

Mr. Harris, from Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported on Bills, Nos. 2, 26, 107, 134, 156, and that they were correctly engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Wilson, of Marshall,

House Bill, No. 156, was ordered to be transmitted at once to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Meek,

Bill, No. 107, was ordered to be transmitted at once to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Bartlett,

Bill, No. 174, was ordered to be transmitted to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Cavitt,

Three thousand copies additional of the Comptroller's Report was ordered to be printed.

Mr. Dortch presented a concise report of the Secretary of the State Agricultural Bureau, which,

On motion of Mr. Wilson, of Marshall,

Was referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, moved

That the Report of the Joint Select Committee, to attend the State Fair at Gallatin, be transmitted at once to the Senate.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Colburn introduced Bill, No. 212, to authorize the election of an additional Justice of the Peace in the town of Maryville;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. Cavitt introduced Bill, No. 213, to secure the rights of land holders ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Davie introduced a Bill, No. 214, to prevent frauds in elections ;

Which was passed first reading, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Fort introduced Bill, No. 215, to amend the 1st section of an act, chapter 1st, passed in the year 1804 ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Brien introduced Bill, No. 216, to carry into effect the intention of testators ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Thomas introduced Bill, No. 217, to amend An act passed February 9, 1850, chapter 179 ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. Temple introduced Bill, No. 218, to amend the act of 1843, chapter 54 ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Common Schools and Education.

Mr. Gilbert introduced Bill, No. 219, for the preservation of Records ;

Which was read first time, passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Whiteside introduced Bill, No. 220, to amend the laws now in force in this State to suppress betting on elections ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Galbreath introduced Bill, No. 221, granting appeals in certain cases ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Stovall introduced Bill, No. 222, to amend An act passed 11th February, 1852, entitled An act to establish a system of Internal Improvements in this State, passed February 8, 1854 ;

Which was read first time and passed, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Burch introduced Bill, No. 223, directory to the Comptroller of the Treasury for the benefit of Absolom Selcer ;

Which was read first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Newman returned Bill, No. 98, with an amendment.

Senate Resolution appointing a joint select committee on the subject of Law Reform,

Was concurred in.

Senate Bill, No. 1, to amend the act incorporating the town of Winchester,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 5, to amend An act to authorize and regulate county subscriptions to railroad stock, passed 22d January, 1852,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 7, to charter the Winchester Building and Loan Association,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 10, to incorporate the Institute of Purdy, McNairy county,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 31½, to secure widows' dower in certain cases, Passed first reading, and referred to Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Brown of Davidson, Mr. Travis in the Chair, introduced a Resolution as follows :

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That our Senators in Congress be instructed, and our Representatives requested, to use all proper means to procure the repeal of an act of Congress, approved the 28th day of February, 1855, and entitled 'An act to promote the efficiency of the Navy,' or such modification thereof as will secure officers of the Navy against an unjust and arbitrary application of the same.

Resolved, That this General Assembly have seen with deep regret and decided disapprobation, the degradation of Lieut. Matthew F. Maury under the administration of said act, by placing him on the reserved list. They regard him as illustrious by his past services, and feel that the pride of the nation has been wounded in his fall. And they express their earnest wish that he may not only be reinstated, but promoted to some higher position in the naval service, more in keeping with his talents and merits.

Resolved, That it is the firm sense of this General Assembly, that the Navy of the United States ought to be considerably enlarged and strengthened, so as to be more adequate to the protection of the commerce of the country, and of our long line of sea-coast; and that the attention of our Senators and Representatives is respectfully and earnestly invited to this subject.

Which were referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk :

MR. SPEAKER :

I am directed to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate has passed, on their third and last reading, House bills, of the following numbers and titles, and the same are herewith returned for enrollment :

Bill, No. 34, to incorporate the Clislean Society of the Baptist Female College, Brownsville, Tennessee.

Bill, No. 44, to amend the second section of an act passed 8th February, 1854, entitled An act to amend an act passed 11th February, 1852, entitled An act to establish a system of Internal Improvements in the State.

Bill, No. 50, to incorporate the Nashville Academy of Music and Fine Arts.

Bill, No. 74, to amend the laws now in force regulating the Bean's Station Turnpike Road.

Bill, No. 75, to charter the LaGrange Female College.

The Senate has also passed, on its third reading, House Bill, No. 83, to incorporate the Nashville Publishing and Printing Company, with an amendment, incorporating the Tennessee Printing and Publishing Company, and the same is herewith transmittted for the action of the House of Representatives.

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled Resolution, No. 24, directory to the Secretary of State, and the same is herewith transmitted for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has also passed, on its third reading, Senate Bill, No. 41, entitled A bill to amend the charter of the Nashville and Northwestern Railroad Company, and to transfer a part of its State aid to the Mobile and Ohio Railroad, and the same is herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. Pogue

The House adjourned till 2½ o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Wood of Hardeman,

The Treasurer's Report was directed to be transmitted to the Senate.

Senate Resolution, No. 33, Directory to the Bank of Tennessee, Was adopted.

Mr. Dunnington moved

A reconsideration of the vote adopting above Resolution ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Dunnington moved

To lay the Resolution on the table ;

Which motion prevailed.

House Bill, No. 23, to allow interchange of Judges and Chancellors,

Was taken up.

The Bill adopted in lieu, by the Senate, was read.

Mr. Looney moved

That the House now concur in Senate bill in lieu,

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, moved

To refer them to the Judiciary Committee ;

Which motion prevailed.

House Bill, No. 83, To incorporate the Nashville Printing and Publishing Company,

Was taken up.

The amendment of the Senate, chartering the Tennessee Printing and Publishing Association,

Was concurred in.

Senate Bill, No. 41, to amend the charter of the Northwestern and Nashville Railroad Company, and to transfer a part of the State aid to the Memphis and Ohio Railroad,

Was taken up.

Mr. Davie offered an amendment; but subsequently withdrew it. The bill then passed first reading.

Mr. Myatt introduced Bill, No. 224,

To establish a Chancery Court in Morgan county, at Montgomery, and for other purposes.

Mr. Hatton introduced Bill, No. 225,

To amend an act to authorize and regulate county subscriptions railroad stock ;

Which passed first reading.

House Bill, No. 98, for the benefit of the Tennessee Western and Charleston Railroad,

Was taken up.

Mr. Newman proposed as an amendment :

That the provisions of the bill shall be extended to the Winchester and Alabama Railroad ;

Which amendment was adopted.

Mr. Holmes offered an amendment.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, an amendment to the amendment of Mr. Holmes ;

Which was accepted by him.

Mr. Holmes withdrew his amendment.

On motion of Mr. Newman,

The House adjourned till 9½ o'clock, to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER, 2, 1855.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Donelson, from the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures, reported on

Resolution, No. 54, declaring the sense of the General Assembly

as to the proper use of the one thousand dollars derived from the State for the East Tennessee Fair for 1854,

And desired to be discharged from its consideration.

On Bill, No. 112, to amend an act entitled An act, to amend the revenue laws of the State, passed February 5, 1848,

And recommended its passage.

Mr. Little presented a petition from citizens of Bedford county, in regard to merchants' tax, &c. ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. DeWitt introduced a Bill, No. 226, entitled

A bill to amend an act passed January 31, 1854, entitled An act to charter the Carthage, Alexandria and Red Sulphur Spring Turnpike Company, and for other purposes ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements,

Mr. Cavitt returned Bill No. 35, with an amendment.

Mr. Northcutt introduced Bill, No. 227; entitled

A bill to amend the act of 1853-4, chapter 181 ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on New Counties and County Lines.

Mr. Tipton introduced Bill, No. 228, entitled

A bill to repeal part of an act passed November 1st, 1855, as confers conventional interest ;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Algee introduced Bill, No. 229, entitled

A bill to prevent creditors from defrauding debtors ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Galbreath introduced Bill, No. 230, entitled

A bill to compel the attendance of witnesses in criminal cases ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Bartlett introduced Bill, No. 231, entitled

A bill to amend the proceedings in the collection of debts ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Harris,

Mr. Tipton was added to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. Myatt introduced Bill, No. 232, entitled

A bill to charter the White Plains and Montgomery Turnpike Company ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Bill, No. 98, for the benefit of the Tennessee Western and Charleston Railroad Company, being yesterday's unfinished business,

Was taken up, and

Mr. Wallace proposed to so amend that the provisions of the bill apply to the Knoxville and Kentucky Railroad.

Mr. Newman moved

The previous question ;

Which was sustained by the House.

The question being then submitted,

Mr. Dortch demanded the ayes and noes ;

Which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Cox, Dunnington, Fort, Gilbert, Kinney, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Wallace, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—30.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Colburn, Cook, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Little, Looney, Massengill, Mathis, Pogue, Runnels, Smith, Stovall, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, Wilson of Carroll, and Wood of Hardeman—34.

The bill did not pass.

Mr. Travis entered a motion to reconsider the vote just taken.

On motion of Mr. Dunnington,

Senate Resolution, No. 33, directory to the Bank of Tennessee,

Was taken up, and

Mr. Dunnington moved

Its indefinite postponement.

Mr. Stovall moved

To lay the motion on the table ;

Which failed, and Mr. Dunnington's motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Stovall,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that Bills, Nos. 31, 32, 37, 72, and 174, were correctly engrossed ; and

Bill, No. 34, to incorporate the Clislean Society, of the Baptist Female College, of Brownsville, Tennessee ;

Bill, No. 50, to incorporate the Nashville Academy of Music and Fine Arts ;

Bill, No. 74, to amend the law now in force regulating the Bean's Station Turnpike Road ;

Bill, No. 75, to charter the Lagrange Female College, correctly enrolled.

Mr. Harris introduced a Resolution, that the printing of the Calendar be dispensed with, until the House order otherwise.

The rule was suspended and the resolution adopted.

Mr. Cox moved

To take up Bill, No. 185, to charter the Memphis Cotton Mills, Which motion prevailed, and the bill passed second reading.

Mr. Donelson returned Bill No. 174, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled An act to charter the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company, and the several acts amending said act, passed by the Legislatures of Kentucky and Tennessee, with certain amendments.

The amendments proposed both by Mr. Donelson and by the Committee on Internal Improvements, were adopted, and the bill re-referred to Committee on Internal Improvements.

Bill, No. 24, to amend the Criminal Laws of the State, Was rejected.

On motion of Mr. Dunnington,

The special Message of the Governor appointing Directors for the Bank of Tennessee,

Was taken up.

Mr. Dunnington moved

To confirm the nominations;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Looney moved

To take up Resolution, No. 57, establishing ordinary hours for adjournment of the House, at 9 o'clock, A. M., and to quarter past 2, P. M.

Mr. Newman moved

To lay the resolution on the table;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Galbreath introduced the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Clerk be required to prepare, on every Monday morning, a written calendar of the business and its order before the House, and that the same shall be kept at his desk for the benefit of the members.

The House refused to suspend the rule.

On motion of Mr. Wood, of Cannon,

The House adjourned till 9½ o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 3, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Brien, from the Committee on Judiciary, reported as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Judiciary Committee have examined and considered sundry bills referred to them, and direct me to report

On Bill, No. 47, To abolish Chancery Courts, and for other purposes.

Without desiring or giving any opinion as to the merits of the bill, they ask to be discharged from its further consideration, and respectfully suggest that it be referred to the Special Committee on the Law Reform, as they believe that to be the most appropriate committee.

Bill, No 23, To allow interchange of Judges and Chancellors in certain cases.

This bill was referred to this Committee on the amendment, or bill in lieu from the Senate. The Committee suggest, and so recommend, that the House non-concur with said amendment, and adhere to the original bill.

Bill, No. 31 $\frac{1}{2}$, (from the Senate,) To secure to the widow her dower in certain cases.

The Committee are not without doubt as to the propriety of the passage of this bill, nevertheless they recommend that it pass.

Bill, No. 177, To incorporate the Clarksville Insurance Company.

The Committee, after due deliberation, are of opinion that at least a part, and the leading features of said bill, ought not to be passed into a law, and without amendment or enumerating the reasons, recommend the rejection of the bill.

All of which I report, and respectfully ask the concurrence of the House.

M. M. BRIEN, Chm'n.

Mr. Davie withdrew Bill, 177, To incorporate the Clarksville Insurance Company, for amendment.

Mr. Holmes, from the Committee on the Capitol, reported as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Committee on the Capitol have had under consideration the bill providing for the erection of statues to Gens. Washington and Jackson, in the Capitol of the State, and recommend its passage.

The Committee would recommend that the blank for commissioners be filled with the names of S. D. Morgan, A. Ewing, and A. V. Brown.

GEO. L. HOLMES, Chm'n.

Mr. Snodgrass, from the Committee on Lunatic Asylum reported on Senate Resolution, No. 23, Directory to the Keeper of the Lunatic Asylum.

The Committee recommended an amendment, and the passage of the Resolution. The amendment was adopted and the Resolution passed.

Mr. Donelson returned Bill, No. 172, To extend the time for receiving State aid by the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company, with certain amendments ;

Which were adopted by the House, and the bill referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the following Bills were correctly enrolled, viz :

Bill, No. 44, to amend the second section of an act passed 8th February, 1854, entitled An act to amend an act passed 11th February, 1852, entitled An act to establish a system of Internal Improvements in this State.

Bill, No. 83, to incorporate the Nashville Printing and Publishing Company.

Mr. DeWitt introduced Bill, No. 233,

To incorporate the Sumner, Lafayette, and Red Sulphur Springs Turnpike Company, and to secure its completion by State aid ;

Which passed its third reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Holmes introduced Bill, No. 234,

To incorporate the Building Company of the city of Memphis ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, offered Resolution, No. 62, as follows :

Resolved, That our Senators and Representatives in Congress be, and are hereby, requested to procure the passage of a law allowing pensions to the officers and soldiers who served the United States in the war of 1812, and in the various Indian wars, extending its benefits to the widows and orphans of the deceased ; and that the Governor be requested to forward copies of this resolution to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States ;

Which laid over.

Mr. Cox introduced Bill, No. 235,

To authorize James H. Hagar, of the county of Davidson, to build a mill-dam across Stone's River ;

Which was read first time and passed, and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Cox introduced Bill, No. 236,

To amend an act entitled An act to establish a Criminal Court in the county of Davidson, passed January 27, 1842 ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Stovall introduced Bill, No. 237,

Requiring railroad companies to drain the cuts on the sides of railroads in this State ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, introduced Bill, No. 238,
Requiring the sale of lands or slaves to be advertised in a newspaper ;

Which was read first time, passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Brien introduced a Bill, No. 239,

To prevent innocent and civil persons from being disturbed by drunkards ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Tippling and Tippling Houses.

Mr. Wallace introduced Bill, No. 240,

To repeal an act passed 21st February, 1852, chapter 116, entitled An act to protect the homestead ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Cook introduced Bill, No. 241,

To regulate and amend the practice of the Chancery Courts in this State ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Ward moved to print three hundred copies of the bill ;

Which failed, and

On motion of Mr. Brien,

The bill was referred to the Special Committee on Law Reform.

Bill, No. 47, to abolish Chancery Courts,

Was referred to the Special Committee on Law Reform.

Mr. Gleaves introduced Bill, No. 242,

To provide for lunatics, to amend the Divorce Law, and for other purposes ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Myatt introduced Bill, No. 243,

Defining the duty of Surveyors ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Gallaway introduced Bill, No. 244,

For the benefit of stayors in certain cases ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Smith returned Bill, No. 97,

To secure to married women the right and use of their own property, with a bill in lieu.

Mr. Parks introduced Bill, No. 245,

To reform the practice in the Circuit Courts ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Select Committee on Law Reform.

Mr. Armstrong introduced Bill, No. 246,

To incorporate the Fountain Fire Company, No. 1, in the city of Knoxville ;

Which was passed first reading, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. De Witt asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Brien until Monday, next week, on account of urgent business.

Mr. Galbreath introduced Bill, No. 247,

To prevent misunderstanding of jurors ;

Which was read first time and passed, and referred to the Special Committee on Law Reform.

Mr. Cox asked and obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 177, to provide for the erection of statutes to Gen. Washington and Gen. Jackson.

Bill, No. 25, to reduce the Circuit Courts to two terms in each year,

Was taken up.

Mr. Brien moved

To non-concur in the report of the Committee on Judiciary, recommending its rejection ;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Brown, of Madison, the bill was referred to the Judiciary Committee, with instructions to report a bill embracing the principles of this bill, with rules of practice, so as to make causes triable the first term, upon such terms and conditions as may be proper.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk :

MR. SPEAKER :

I am directed to inform the House of Representatives, that the State has passed, on their third readings, House Bills,

No. 40, to incorporate the Methodist Church at Carter's Station Camp Ground, in Greene county ; and

No. 94, to amend an act entitled An act to authorize the Jews of Davidson county, to purchase a burial ground and build a Synagogue, and for other purposes, passed March 4, 1854 ;

And the same are herewith transmitted for enrollment.

The Senate has also passed, with an amendment,

House Bill, No. 57, A bill conferring additional power on the Mobile and Ohio Railroad Company to borrow money ;

And the same is herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has also passed, on its third and last reading,

Senate Bill, No. 54, entitled

A bill to amend an act passed 11th February, 1852, chap. 152, entitled An act to establish a system of Internal Improvements in this State ;

And the same is herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives.

Bill, No. 28, to amend the school laws of this State,

Was taken up.

Mr. Massengill moved

A non-concurrence in the report of the Committee on Education, recommending its rejection ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Massengill asked and obtained leave to withdraw the bill for amendment.

Bill, No. 30, to repeal so much of the act of 1853-4, chap. 194, as gives to said companies, therein specified, banking privileges;

And Mr. Harris moved

To lay the bill on the table;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Harris moved

To take up Resolution, No. 34, directory to the Attorney General of the State;

Which motion prevailed.

The resolution proposed in lieu of the original resolution, by the Judiciary Committee, was adopted, as follows:

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That the Attorney General of the State, and such other counsel as the Governor may appoint, be, and they are hereby directed, if, in their opinion, from the best information they can obtain, such steps be necessary or proper, to institute and prosecute legal proceedings against the companies or corporations under whatsoever name they may now be operating, chartered by sections 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74 and 75, of "An act to incorporate the *Ætna Mining and Manufacturing Company*, and for other purposes," passed March 2, 1854, to ascertain whether or not said companies have banking privileges conferred upon them by their charters; and whether or not said charters were constitutionally passed by the General Assembly; also, to ascertain whether said charters are valid, or unconstitutional and void.

Resolved, further, That if the charters of said companies are found to be unconstitutional and void, said Attorney be required to have them judicially declared so.

On the final adoption of the resolution,

Mr. Mathis demanded the ayes and noes;

Which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Bobo, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Cavitt, Cloud, Carlock, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—57.

Noes—Messrs. Brien, Cox, Pogue, Temple, Ward—5.

On motion of Mr. Stovall,

The House adjourned till 10 o'clock, Monday morning.

MONDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 5, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has concurred in the correction to House message relative to the action of the House on House Bill, No. 6, entitled

A bill to authorize the Broyles and Henshaw Bridge Company to build a toll bridge across Nolachucky river, in Greene county ;

And the Journal of the Senate has been corrected in accordance therewith;

And the said bill is herewith re-transmitted for enrollment.

The Senate has passed, on its third and last reading, Senate Bill, No. 38, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled An act to declare the powers of the County Court in the administration of estates, in certain particulars, passed February 26, 1852 ;

And the same is herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has also passed, upon their third and last reading,

House Bill, No. 126, to change the line between the counties of Hickman and Lewis ; and

No. 118, to amend an act incorporating the Columbia and Fountain Creek Turnpike Company, passed 9th February, 1850 ;

And the same are herewith transmitted for enrollment.

The Senate has also passed, on its third reading, House Bill, No. 127, entitled

A bill to establish a Chancery Court in the town of Altamont, in Grundy county, with an amendment establishing a Chancery Court in the town of Montgomery, in Morgan county ;

And the same is herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has also passed, on its third reading. House Bill, No. 96, entitled

A bill to establish the county of Cumberland, in this State, with an amendment ;

And the same is herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has also passed, on its third reading, Senate Bill, No. 52, entitled

A bill for the benefit of Mechanics.

Also, Senate Bill, No. 50, to amend the charter of the Hyde's Ferry Turnpike Company.

Also, Senate Bill, No. 47, a bill to incorporate the Synod of West Tennessee.

Also, Senate Bill, No. 42 a bill to amend the charter of the Shelbyville, Flat Creek, Mulberry, and Fayetteville Turnpike Company ;
All of which are herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives.

I also herewith transmit a memorial from sundry citizens of Bedford county, adverse to the repeal of the charter of the Bank of Shelbyville.

The Speaker has also signed enrolled acts with the following titles, and the same has been deposited with the Secretary of State :

No. 34, to incorporate the Clislean Society of the Baptist Female College, Brownsville, Tennessee.

No. 50, to incorporate the Nashville Academy of Fine Arts.

No. 74, to amend the law now in force regulating the Bean's Station Turnpike Road.

No. 75, to charter the LaGrange Female College.

No. 44, to amend the second section of an act passed 8th February, 1852, entitled

An act to establish a system of Internal Improvements in this State.

No. 83, to incorporate the Nashville Printing and Publishing Company.

Mr. Nixon presented a petition from citizens and merchants of Lawrence county, praying a repeal of merchants' tax, &c.;

Which was received and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Meek presented a similar petition from citizens of Jefferson county ;

Which was received and referred to same committee.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Tipton and Mr. Richey, on account of sickness.

Mr. Dortch, from Committee on Ways and Means, reported on Bill, No. 170, to enable Constables to settle up their business, and asked to be excused from its further consideration.

On Bill, No. 214, to prevent frauds in elections, and recommended its rejection.

Mr. Davie moved

A non-concurrence in the report ;

Which motion prevailed, and the bill was,

On motion of Mr. Davie,

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

Mr. Snodgrass moved a call of the House.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, from Committee on Internal Improvements, reported as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Committee on Internal Improvements to whom sundry bills were referred, have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with the following recommendation, to-wit :

Bill, No. 45, A bill to secure the completion of the McMinnville and Smithville Turnpike Road.

Bill, No. 125, To repeal portions of the Omnibus Internal Improvement Act.

Bill, No. 195, A bill to amend An act entitled
An act to amend An act to establish a system of Internal Improvement in this State.

The Committee recommend that these bills be rejected.

Bill, No. 237, Requiring Railroad Companies to drain the cuts on the side of railroads in this State.

The Committee recommend that said bill be amended by striking out the words "said companies" in the first line of the second section, and inserting in lieu thereof, the following words: "any company who shall fail to comply with the provisions of said first section, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and," and thus amended the Committee recommend the passage of the bill.

Bill, No. 235, To authorize James H. Hagar, of the county of Davidson, to build a mill dam across Stone's River.

And Bill, No. 222, To amend An act to amend An act passed 11th February, 1852, entitled

An act to establish a system of Internal Improvements in this State, passed 8th February, 1854.

The Committee recommend the passage of these bills.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

H. BROWN, Chairman.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, offered the following Resolution :

Resolved, That the Senate and House of Representatives meet in Convention on Friday, the 13th November, at 2 o'clock, P. M., to elect a Register for West Tennessee.

The rule was suspended and the Resolution adopted.

Mr. Pope presented two memorials from citizens of Rhea and Bledsoe counties, in regard to Merchants' Taxes ;

Which were received and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Algee moved

To take up Senate Bill, No. 41, to amend the charter of the Nashville and North Western Railroad Company, and to transfer a portion of its State aid to the Memphis and Ohio Railroad Company ;

Which prevailed.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, offered an amendment to the third section of the bill.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To lay the amendment on the table ,

Upon which motion Mr. Smith demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes--Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Burch, Campbell, Cavitt, Cloud, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Dunnington, Gilbert, Holmes, Kinney, Mathis, Meek, Newman, Parks,

Rudd, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Travis, Wallace, Watkins, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—36.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Bullen, Carlock, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Little, Massengill, Myatt, Nixon, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Smith, Ward, Whiteside, Wood of Hardeman—25.

The amendment was laid on the table.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To amend the Bill to give the State a lien on the Hickman and Obion Railroad, for the amount of State aid rendered that part of the road lying in this State;

Which amendment was adopted, and the bill passed second reading.

Mr. Wallace introduced Bill, No. 248, To authorize Grand Juries to send for witnesses in certain cases.

Mr. Massengill returned Bill, No. 28, To amend the School Laws of Tennessee;

And moved its re-committal to the Committee on Education and Common Schools.

Mr. Smith asked and obtained leave to withdraw a bill offered by him in lieu of Bill, No. 97.

Mr. Meek moved

To take up Senate Bill, No. 54;

Which motion failed.

Mr. Massengill moved

To adjourn till half past 2 o'clock this evening;

Which motion prevailed.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Easterly on account of illness.

The Speaker presented the Report of the Inspectors and Keepers of the Tennessee Penitentiary, for the two years ending September 30, 1855, accompanied by financial and other tables.

On motion of Mr. Travis,

It was laid on the table, and 5000 copies ordered to be printed.

A petition from citizens of Shelbyville, relative to, and adverse to, the repeal of the Branch of the Bank of Tennessee, Shelbyville;

Which was referred to the Committee on Banks.

Senate Bill, No. 48, To amend an act entitled An act to declare the powers of the County Court in the administration of estates in certain particulars, passed February 26, 1852,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No 42, To amend the charter of the Shelbyville, Flat Creek, Mulberry, and Fayetteville Turnpike Company, *

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 54, To amend an act passed 11th February, 1852, chapter 152, entitled An act to establish a system of Internal Improvements in this State,

Passed first reading and referred to Committee on Internal Improvements.

Senate Bill, No. 47, To incorporate the Synod of West Tennessee, Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 50, To amend the charter of the Hyde's Ferry Turnpike Company,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 52, for the benefit of mechanics,

Passed first reading.

Senate's amendment to House Bill, No 51, Conferring additional power on the Mobile and Ohio Railroad Company to borrow money,

Was concurred in.

Senate's amendments to House Bill, No. 127, To establish a Chancery Court at the town of Altamont, in Grundy County,

Were concurred in.

Mr. Burch introduced Bill, No. 249, To incorporate the Mineral Railroad Company of East Tennessee, and for other purposes,

Passed first reading and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Brown, of Davidson, (Mr. Harris in the chair,) returned Bill, No. 117, To erect statues to Gen. Washington and Gen. Jackson.

Also, a bill in lieu of said bill, providing the erection of statues to Gen. Washington, Gen. Jackson, and James K. Polk.

Mr. Dunnington moved

To amend the bill by inserting the name of Hugh Lawson White; Which was accepted by Mr. Brown.

Mr. Armstrong proposed as an amendment the name of John Sevier;

Which was adopted by the House.

Mr. Hatton moved

That the bill be referred to the Committee on State Capitol ;

Which motion prevailed.

House Bill, No. 4, To abolish military duty,

Passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. DeWitt,

Resolution, No. 52, calling on the the Governor for a plan whereby the evils of the Penitentiary system in this State, of which he complains in his message, can be eradicated, which was introduced on the 30th ult.,

Was taken up.

Mr. Newman moved

To indefinitely postpone the Resolution.

Mr. Pope offered the following in lieu :

Resolved, That the two Houses adjourn until the Governor make such laws, rules and regulations for the Penitentiary as he may deem proper ;

Which the Speaker ruled to be out of order.

Mr. Bullen introduced the following :

Resolved, That the General Assembly of Tennessee dispense with all the duties assigned them, and call upon His Excellency the Governor to take a position in the House, and assume the duties of a legislative body.

On motion of Mr. Pogue,

The House adjourned till to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

TUESDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 6, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Tompkins presented a petition from citizens of Rutherford county, in regard to Merchants' Tax ;

Which was received and ordered to be transmitted to the Senate.

Mr. Little presented a similar petition from citizens of Rutherford county ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Wallace presented a similar petition from citizens of Anderson county ;

Which was referred to same committee.

Mr. Looney presented a petition from citizens of Maury county, in relation to the Columbia and Hampshire Turnpike Company.

Also, a Bill, No. 24, chap. 72, on same subject ;

Both of which were referred to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. Cavitt, from Committee on Incorporations, reported on Bill, No. 167, to authorize the establishment of the Memphis Water Works Company, and recommended its passage.

On Bill, No. 246, to incorporate the Fountain Fire Company, No. 1, of the city of Knoxville, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Donelson, from Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures, reported as follows :

The committee to whom was referred House Bill, No. 205, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled An act to establish a State Agricultural Bureau, and for other purposes, have had the same under consideration, and instructed me to report that they recommend its passage, with an amendment.

They have also had under consideration the Secretary of the Bureau's report, and direct me to report it to the House, and recommend that seventy-five copies be printed for the use of the members.

D. S. DONELSON,
Chairman.

In accordance with the above report, the House ordered seventy-five copies of the report of the Secretary of the State Bureau to be printed.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, from Committee on Internal Improvements, reported as follows:

MR. SPEAKER :

The Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom sundry bills have been referred by the House, have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to make report thereon, as follows:

Bill, No. 233, to incorporate the Sumner, LaFayette, and Red Sulphur Springs Turnpike Company, and secure its completion by State credit.

The committee recommend that sections 8, 9, and 10, be stricken out of said bill; and with this amendment, that the bill be passed.

Bill, No. 226, to amend an act passed January 31, 1854, entitled An act to charter the Carthage, Alexandria, and Red Sulphur Springs Turnpike Company, and for other purposes.

The committee recommend that the following proviso be added to the first section:

Provided, That no State aid is hereby granted to said company, in any manner whatever; and with this amendment, the bill be passed.

Bill, No. 166, entitled

An act to charter the Knoxville, Sevierville, and Paint Rock Railroad Company.

The committee recommend the following amendments to said bill:

To strike out the 12th section.

In second line from bottom of section 26, insert the words "take or," before the word "effect."

In second line from top of section 32, strike out the word "five," and insert in lieu thereof, "two."

And again, in second line from bottom of same section, strike out the word "ten," and insert in lieu thereof, the word "six."

With these amendments, a majority of the committee recommend the passage of this bill.

H. BROWN,
Chairman.

Mr. Pope introduced Bill, No. 250, to incorporate the East Tennessee Farming, Grape-growing, Stock-raising, and Manufacturing Company ;

Which passed first reading and was referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures.

Also, a petition from the members of said company.

Mr. Ball introduced Bill, No. 251, for the benefit of Revenue Collectors and Constables ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Pope introduced Bill, No. 252, for the relief of A. H. Nail, Tax Collector of Bledsoe county, and for other purposes ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Cloud introduced Bill, No. 253, to make owners of negro slaves liable for their acts ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Bullen introduced Bill, No. 254, entitled

A bill to repeal an act entitled An act to establish a Geologist and Mineralogist and Assayer for the State of Tennessee, passed February 24, 1854, chapter 135 ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Smith returned the bill in lieu of Bill No. 97, withdrawn by him yesterday.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, introduced Bill, No. 255, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of the expenses of the Supreme Court ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Kinney introduced a Resolution, No. 65,

Directory to the Secretary of State to supply copies of statutes to all Justices of the Peace who have not received them.

The rule was suspended, and the resolution referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The House then proceeded to yesterday's unfinished business, being the resolution calling on the Governor for a plan to remedy the evils complained of in his message.

Mr. Newman withdrew his motion to indefinitely postpone the resolution ; and offered a resolution in lieu, as follows :

Resolved, That the Committee on the Penitentiary be, and they are hereby, instructed to report a bill to this House authorizing and requiring the Governor and Inspectors of the Penitentiary, to so change and direct the employment of the convicts confined in said Penitentiary as not to come in competition with the various branches of mechanism followed by citizens of this State ; and that said bill shall confer full and ample power upon the Inspectors

and Governor to carry out the recommendations of the Governor, as made to the present General Assembly.

Mr. Holmes moved the previous question.

At request, Mr. Holmes withdrew his motion.

On motion of Mr. Gallaway,

The House adjourned till 2½ o'clock, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The House resumed the unfinished business of the morning.

Mr. Thomas called the previous question.

The vote being taken upon this motion, the call was not sustained, by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Gleaves, Little, Looney, Parks, Smith, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—27.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fort, Galbreath, Gilbert, Hatton, Harris, Holmes, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Rudd, Shemwell, Stovall, Temple, Watkins, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—39.

Mr. Looney moved

To lay the amendment of Mr. Newman on the table ;

Which he withdrew.

The ayes and noes being demanded, on the adoption of Mr. Newman's amendment, in lieu of the original resolution, were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cloud, Cobb, Cowden, Dunnington, Galbreath, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Smith, Watkins, Whiteside; Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—23.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Donelson, Fort, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Massengill, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—43.

Mr. Harris moved the previous question ;

Which motion prevailed.

On the adoption of the resolution the ayes and noes were taken, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—30.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colburn, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—37.

House Bill, No. 7, to regulate County Subscriptions to Railroad Stock in the counties of Gibson, Haywood, and Henry,

Was taken up.

The bill proposed in lieu, by the Judiciary Committee, was adopted.

Mr. Holmes proposed an amendment, providing that in Haywood county it shall not be necessary for a majority of the Magistrates of the County Court to order an election.

On motion of Mr. DeWitt,

The House adjourned till to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 7, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported the following bills correctly enrolled : Bills, Nos., 52, 94, and 127.

On motion of Mr. Stovall,

Bill, No. 222, to amend an act, entitled An act, passed 11th February, 1852, entitled An act to establish a system of Internal Improvements in this State, passed February 8, 1854,

Was taken up and passed second reading.

The unfinished business of yesterday was taken up, being Bill, No. 7, to regulate county subscriptions to railroad stock in the counties of Gibson, Haywood and Henry.

Mr. Holmes moved

Indefinitely to postpone the bill and amendments ;

Which motion failed.

The amendment offered by Mr. Holmes, yesterday,
Was laid on the table.

Mr. Travis offered an amendment as follows:

Provided that nothing contained in this act shall be so construed as to interfere with any elections that have been ordered, and are now pending;

Which amendment he withdrew, and

Moved to strike out the clause making the act take effect from and after its passage.

Mr. Smith offered the following amendment, as follows:

Provided that no person shall be required to pay any tax for county subscription in any railroad in this State, unless they vote for said county tax or subscription;

Which was rejected.

The amendment of Mr. Travis was adopted.

Mr. Travis called for the previous question;

Which call was sustained, and the bill passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Stovall,

The House adjourned till 2½ o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

There being no quorum,

Mr. Bullen moved a call of the House.

Absent, beside those having leave of absence,

Messrs. Cavitt, Cox, Taylor, Wallace, Welcker, and Wood of Hardeman.

Mr. Temple introduced Bill, No. 256,

Requiring the Clerk of the Supreme Court, at Nashville, to collect and arrange the Law Library belonging to the State;

Which passed first reading.

House Bill, No. 10, to amend the Criminal Laws of the State,
Was laid on the table, on account of the absence of its author.

House Bill, No. 16, to regulate and establish uniform rules of costs, and for other purposes.

Mr. Parks moved

To amend by adding the words "knowingly and wilfully," after the word "shall," in 4th section;

Which was accepted by Mr. Looney.

Mr. Bullen moved

To lay the bill on the table.

Mr. Whiteside moved

To adjourn till 10 o'clock, to-morrow ;

Which motion failed.

The motion of Mr. Bullen failed.

Mr. Bobo moved

Indefinitely to postpone the bill and amendments ;

Which motion failed.

Mr. Bullen called the previous question, but withdrew the motion.

Mr. Looney moved

A non-concurrence in the report of the Committee.

Mr. Parks demanded a division of the question.

The amendment of the Committee to the 4th section was concurred in.

The amendment proposed by the Committee, to strike out the 5th section,

Was concurred in.

The bill passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Cook,

Mr. Bartlett was added to the Committee on Tippling and Tippling Houses.

On motion.

Mr. Wallace and Mr. Cox were added to the same Committee.

Mr. Cook moved

To adjourn till 10 o'clock, to-morrow morning ;

Which motion failed.

On motion of Mr. Pope

The House adjourned till 9½ o'clock, to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, MORNING, NOVEMBER 8, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Snodgrass presented a petition from Jas. B. Lowry, to have the line of White, DeKalb and Putnam changed ;

Which was referred to the Committee on New Counties and County Lines.

Mr. Cook presented a Petition from citizens of Williamson county in relation to merchants' tax ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Ball presented a Petition from citizens of Hawkins and adjoining counties, praying for a charter of Rotherwood Classical School ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. Davie presented a Petition from citizens of Montgomery county in regard to Merchants' Tax ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Cox introduced a Bill, No. 257,

To incorporate the Phoenix Mining and Manufacturing Company ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. Little introduced a Bill, No. 258,

To extend the corporate limits of the town of Unionville, in Bedford County, and for other purposes ;

Which passed first leading, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. Pope introduced Bill, No. 259,

To charter the Pikeville and Shell Mound Turnpike Company ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Ball introduced Bill, 260,

To incorporate Rotherwood Classical Seminary, in Hawkins County ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. Cook introduced Bill, No. 261,

To incorporate the Tennessee Female College ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Cobb introduced Bill, No. 262,

To clear out the Hiwassee River ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

The Speaker, on behalf of the Commissioners of the High School, invited the members of the House to visit that Institution at any and all times.

Mr. Brown of Davidson, Mr. Hatton in the Chair, introduced Bill, No. 263,

To incorporate the Tennessee Literary Society ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Brown, of Davidson, introduced a Bill, No. 264,

For the relief of John S. Petway, of Davidson County ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Brown, of Davidson, introduced a Bill, No. 265,

To repeal the first and second sections of the act of 1843, chapter 9 ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Brown, of Davidson, introduced Bill, No. 266,

For the relief of Monsieur and Madame Jules Godeau de Eutraignes ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Burch introduced Bill, No. 266½,
To establish a Criminal Court in the city of Chattanooga ;
Which passed first reading, and was referred to Judiciary Committee.

On motion of Mr. Cox,
Senate Bill, No. 8, to authorize the Whites Creek Turnpike Company to remove their second toll-gate,
Was taken up, and passed third reading.
The Speaker presented the following communication :

To the Hon. Speaker of the House of Representatives :

I beg leave to present the following report of the Board of Trustees of the Tennessee Deaf and Dumb School.

R. B. McMULLEN,
Pres't of Board.

Mr. White moved

That two thousand copies be printed, and that J. B. G. Kinsloe, of Knoxville, be employed by the Clerk to do the printing;
Which motion prevailed.

Mr. White moved

That the use of the Hall of Representatives be tendered to the Rev. R. B. McMullen, and Mr. Gillett, the Principal of said Institute, for the purpose of exhibiting the progress of some of the pupils of said Institute, this evening, at 7½ o'clock ;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Snodgrass,

Bill, No. 96, to establish the county of Cumberland, in this State,
Was taken up, and

On motion of Mr. Snodgrass,

The amendment of the Senate was non-concurred in.

House Bill, No. 27, to repeal proviso to the third section of an act passed 10th February, 1854,

Was taken up and passed second reading.

Mr. Armstrong moved

To take up Senate Bill, No. 2, to amend the act of 1834, chapter 127, establishing a Chancery Court at Newport, in the county of Cocke ;

Which motion prevailed, and the bill passed second reading.

House Bill, No. 33, to provide for the election of Tax Collector by the people,

Was taken up.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, moved a non-concurrence in the report of the Judiciary Committee recommending the rejection of the bill ;

Which motion failed.

Mr. Massengill moved a reconsideration of the vote just taken ;

Upon which motion Mr. Wood, of Cannon, demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Fort, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Kinney, Little, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Rudd, Runnels, Seemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—42.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cook, Dortch, Holmes, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Snodgrass, Temple, Tipton, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, Mr. Speaker Brown—22.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, asked and obtained leave to withdraw the bill for amendment.

Mr. Snodgrass asked leave of absence for Mr. Parks till Monday next, to enable him to attend to pressing business ;

Which was granted.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, asked leave of absence for the Internal Improvement Committee this afternoon ;

Which was granted.

On motion of Mr. Cook,

The House adjourned till this afternoon, 3 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

F. H. Kimble, Representative elect from the counties of Perry and Decatur, appeared, was qualified, and took his seat.

Mr. Gleaves moved

That the House adjourn till to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock, in order that the Committee on Internal Improvements might have time to consider certain bills upon which they were engaged.

The Committee having adjourned,

Mr. Gleaves withdrew his motion.

House Bill, No. 35, To repeal the act declaring the North Fork of Obion River navigable,

Was taken up.

The amendment proposed by Mr. Cavitt was accepted by Mr. Stovall, and the bill passed its second reading.

House Bill, No. 36, Prescribing the duties of magistrates, and providing for their compensation,

Was taken up.

Mr. Meek moved

A non-concurrence in the report of the Judiciary Committee, recommending its rejection ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Little proposed, as an amendment, That the Quorum County Court have jurisdiction over road cases.

Mr. Gallaway moved

That the bill and amendments be indefinitely postponed ;

Which he withdrew.

Mr. Pope moved

To make the bill the special order for Monday next, the 12th inst., 10 o'clock, A. M. ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Massengill moved

To take up the motion to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 98, For the benefit of the Tennessee Western, and Charleston Railroad Company ;

Which motion prevailed.

On the motion to reconsider, the ayes and noes were demanded, and were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Rudd, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Travis, Wallace, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—41.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Campbell, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Fort, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Pogue, Runnels, Smith, Tompkins, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Wood of Cannon—21.

The vote was reconsidered.

Mr. Nixon moved

That the Bill be placed on the calendar ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Davie moved

To take up Bill, No. 185, To charter the Memphis Cotton Mills ;

Which motion prevailed.

Bill passed third reading.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts with the following titles, and the same have been deposited with the Secretary of State :

6. To authorize the Broyles and Henshaw Bridge Company to build a bridge across Nolachucky River, in Greene county.

118. To amend an act incorporating the Columbia and Fountain Creek Turnpike Company, passed 9th February, 1850.

126. To change the line between the counties of Hickman and Lewis.

127. To establish a Chancery Court at the town of Altamont, in Grundy county.

94. To amend an act entitled An act to authorize the Jews of Davidson county to purchase a burial ground and build a synagogue, and for other purposes, passed March 4, 1854.

51. Conferring additional power on the Mobile and Ohio Railroad, to borrow money.

40. To incorporate the Methodist Church at Carter's Station Camp Ground, in Greene county, Tennessee.

The Senate has adopted Joint Resolution, No. 39, appointing Commissioners to investigate the Bank of Tennessee and Branches, and the same has been ordered to be immediately transmitted to the House of Representatives for their action.

The Senate has also passed, on its third and last reading, House Bill, No. 120, entitled A bill to incorporate the Nicojack Railroad and Mining Company,

With an amendment, and the same has been ordered to be immediately transmitted to the House of Representatives for their action.

I am also directed to transmit to the House of Representatives the second report of the Trustees of the Hospital for the Insane in Tennessee; and the second biennial report of the Physician and Superintendent of the Tennessee Hospital for the Insane.

On motion of Mr. Looney,

House Bill, No. 120, To incorporate the Nicojack Railroad and Mining Company,

Was taken up, and Senate's amendment concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Holmes,

Bill, No. 185, was ordered to be transmitted to the Senate without delay.

Leave was granted to the Committee on Penitentiary to be absent to-morrow.

House Bill, No. 38, To amend an act entitled An act to enable all persons charged with the assets of an estate to have the evidences of payment by them perpetuated, and for other purposes.

The amendments proposed by the Judiciary Committee were adopted, and the bill passed second reading,

House Bill, No. 45, To secure the completion of the McMinnville and Smithville Turnpike Company,

Was laid on the table.

The bill recommended by the Committee on Judiciary, in lieu of Bills, No. 46 and 184,

Was adopted, and the Bill passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 10, To incorporate the Institute of Purdy, McNairy county,

Was passed second reading.

House Bill, No. 49, To regulate the selection of jurors,
Was taken up.

The report of the Committee on Judiciary, was concurred in
and the bill rejected.

Mr. DeWitt moved

That the House adjourn till to-morrow morning 10 o'clock,
Which motion prevailed.

FRIDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 9, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Bobo presented a petition from citizens of Lincoln county,
in regard to merchants' tax;

Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Dunnington presented a petition from Wm. J. Andrews and
others, praying a charter for the Independent Order of Junior Tem-
ple of Order;

Which was referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. Looney from Committee on Federal Relations, recommended
the adoption of Resolution, No. 59, directory to our Senators and
Representatives in Congress.

Mr. Harris, from Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that Bill,
No. 185, to charter the Memphis Cotton Mills, was correctly en-
grossed.

Mr. Bullen from Committee on Public Roads and Highways, re-
ported on Bill, No. 203, to amend the law in relation to turnpike
roads, and proceedings against them and for other purposes, and
recommended that the bill be amended by striking out first section,
and with such amendment that the bill pass.

Mr. Galbreath introduced Bill, No. 267, to amend the practice
in county courts in this State.

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Looney introduced Bill, No. 268, to repeal the act of 1842,
chapter 35, section 1, and for other purposes;

Which passed first reading, and referred to the Judiciary Com-
mittee.

Mr. Nixon moved

That the report of the Secretary of the Agricultural Bureau be
transmitted to the Senate;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Holmes moved

That the two Committee Rooms outside the bar of the House,

be surrendered to the Senate, for their use by the Senate as Committee Rooms ;

Which motion failed.

Mr. Looney moved

To take up Senate Resolution, No. 39, appointing Commissioners to investigate the Bank of Tennessee and Branches ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

To amend by striking out the "20th December" and inserting in lieu thereof "the 10th of December."

Mr. Dunnington moved

To refer the Resolution to the Committee on Banks, and that the Committee be requested to report at the earliest time possible ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Cox moved

That the use of this House be tendered to the Superintendents of the Deaf and Dumb Asylum to-night ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Rudd introduced Bill, No. 269, To change the place for holding the Supreme Court for the Western Division of the State ;

Which passed first reading and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Bill, No. 52, Making persons composing incorporated companies liable for the debts of the same.

Mr. Newman moved

That the regular order be dispensed with, and the bill placed on its second reading ;

Which failed.

Mr. Newman moved

A non-concurrence in the report of the Judiciary Committee, recommending its rejection ; upon which motion he demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Cloud, Cobb, Colburn, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Tipton, Wallace, Watkins, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—27.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carlock, Colquet, Cook, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Gleaves, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Taylor, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Wilson of Carroll, and Wood of Hardeman—25.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Looney moved

That the House adjourn till Monday morning, 10 o'clock, to enable committees to dispose of the business which has accumulated before them.

The ayes and noes being demanded, Mr. Looney withdrew the motion.

Mr. Runnels moved

To strike out so much of the bill as refers to Mining and Manufacturing Companies.

Mr. Bullen moved

To lay this motion on the table ;

Which motion failed.

The motion of Mr. Runnels then failed.

Mr. Bullen moved

To amend by inserting the words "in proportion to the amount of stock invested ;

Which was rejected.

The bill was then rejected upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. Gleaves,

The House adjourned till 2½ o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Armstrong,

Senate Bill, No. 2, To amend the act of 1854, chapter 127, establishing a Chancery Court at Newport, in Cocke county,

Was taken up and passed third reading.

On motion of Mr. Travis,

House Bill, No. 222, To amend An act entitled

An act to amend An act, passed 11th February, 1852, to establish a system of Internal Improvements in this State, passed 8th February, 1854,

Was taken up and passed third reading.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, returned House Bill, No. 33, to provide for the election of Tax Collectors by the people, with an amendment.

The recommendation of the Judiciary Committee to reject the bill, was non-concurred in.

The amendment of Mr. Wood, of Cannon, was adopted by the House.

Mr. Tipton offered an amendment, providing that the counties of Carter and Johnson be exempted from the provisions of the bill.

Mr. Mathis moved

To lay the amendment offered by Mr. Tipton, on the table ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Carlock moved

To amend, so as to deprive the County Courts of their discretion as to whether tax collectors be elected or not ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Tipton moved

To lay the bill and amendment on the table ;

Which he withdrew.

Mr. Bullen offered to amend with the following :

Provided, That should the office of Tax Collector become vacant from any cause, it shall be the duty of the County Courts to elect a collector to fill said vacancy at the first quarterly term after said vacancy may occur.

Which amendment was adopted.

Mr. Massengill offered an amendment, in lieu of the bill and amendments.

Mr. Newman moved

To lay this amendment on the table ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Cox offered an amendment, as follows, to first section :

Provided, That no person shall be eligible to the office of Revenue Collector, more than six, in any term of eight years ;

And to strike out after the word "Sheriff," in the first section, "or other county officers."

Mr. Carmichael offered an amendment, as follows :

Be it further enacted, That the Tax Collectors so elected, shall receive one hundred dollars in each county for collecting the State revenue, and such compensation for collecting the county tax as a majority of the County Court may appropriate for collecting the same.

Mr. Harris moved

A reconsideration of the vote laying the amendment, offered by Mr. Massengill, on the table.

Mr. Bullen moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill and amendments.

Mr. Newman moved the previous question ;

Which call was not sustained by the House.

Upon Mr. Bullen's motion to indefinitely postpone the bill and amendments,

The ayes and noes were demanded, and were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colburn, Cook, Donelson, Dortch, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kinney, Meek, Pogue, Snodgrass, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Travis, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—37.

Noes—Messrs. Burch, Carlock, Colquet, Cox, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Kinble, Little, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Runnels, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Tompkins, Wallace, Whiteside, and Wood of Cannon—23.

The bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Ball entered a motion to reconsider the vote just taken.

Mr. Harris moved

To take up the motion ;

Which prevailed, and the House refused to reconsider.

On motion of Mr. Dortch,

Leave of absence was granted to the Principal Clerk of the House, until Monday morning.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Little, Mr. Thomas, and Mr. Wood, of Cannon, until Monday morning.

By leave of the House,

Mr. Brown, of Madison, reported from the Committee on Internal Improvements, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom sundry bills of the House were referred, have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report said bills back to the House, with the following amendments, to-wit :

Bill, No. 151, to amend an act entitled

An act to charter the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company, and the several acts amending said act, passed by the Legislatures of Kentucky and Tennessee.

Amend the first section, by adding the following proviso :

Provided, however, That such bonds and mortgage shall not be operative and be enforced within the State of Tennessee, to the extent of seven per centum per annum, unless, by the provisions of a general law of that State, a rate of seven per centum per annum is allowed.

Amend the second section by striking out the words "in some profitable manner," in the seventh line from the bottom of page 2, and insert in lieu thereof, the words "by loaning and re-loaning the same."

Amend by striking out the fifth, sixth, seventh, and ninth sections of the bill.

Amend by adding the following sections to the bill :

Be it enacted. That it shall be the duty of the President and each Director of said company, and each Engineer engaged in the service of the company, to take an oath, each for himself, that he is not, and will not, during his continuance in office, become interested, directly or indirectly, in any contract for the building or the furnishing any material to build said road, made by the company with any person. The Engineers shall also swear that they will well and truly, to the best of their skill and judgment, make a fair, impartial and correct estimate of work and materials done and furnished according to contract, and otherwise faithfully perform the duties of Engineer so long as they continue in the service of said company ; a certificate of such oath taken before an officer authorized by law to administer oaths, shall be recorded on the minute book of the company.

Be it enacted, That if on judicial proceeding and judgment of any court of competent jurisdiction it shall be adjudged that any Engineer, or any of the officers aforesaid, shall at any time, after taking said oath, have been interested with any contractor in any contract for the building of any part of said road, or for furnishing any material for building or equipping said road, no recovery in law shall be had on such contract; and said interested Engineer, or officer, aforesaid, shall be deemed guilty of the crime of perjury, and upon conviction thereof, shall suffer all the penalties prescribed for the crime of perjury.

It shall be the duty of said company to cause its Chief Engineer to act in conjunction with a competent engineer, to be appointed by the Governor of the State of Tennessee, who shall, within the next sixty days after the appointment is made by the Governor, proceed to ascertain the cost of construction of a bridge across the Cumberland River, in connection with the said railroad, at Nashville, including embankments, or other connection that may be determined, at each end, and file a report of such estimate in the office of the Secretary of State, and furnish the railroad company with a copy. Upon receiving said estimate, it shall be the duty of said company, within three months, to let to contract the building of said bridge; and by the use of the means appropriated for that purpose, by any act of the General Assembly of Tennessee, and such other means as may be created for that purpose, progress with the construction as fast as said means can be realized.

Be it further enacted, That, to carry into effect the foregoing section the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company, or companies, which have or may be incorporated in the State, are hereby vested each with the reciprocal right and power to contract and agree to unite their means for the purpose of erecting said bridge, and define the manner of holding and using, and the joint or separate use of each. To be sealed with the corporate seals of each, and filed in the office of the Secretary of State. In the event of a failure thus to unite the means of companies, and the insufficiency furnished by the State of Tennessee, to the said railroad, it shall be the duty of said company to open books in the City of Nashville, and any other place, and at any time, to receive subscriptions of stock to the capital stock of said company, for the special purpose, of constructing said bridge to be paid in the manner set forth in said subscription which shall be applied to the purpose aforesaid.

With these amendments the committee recommend the passage of this bill, without any previous amendments.

Bill, No. 182, to extend the time for receiving State aid by the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company.

The committee report a new bill, and recommend that this bill be submitted in lieu of said bill, and that it be passed.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. BROWN, Chairman.

The bill offered by the committee in lieu of the original bill, No 172 was adopted, and the bill passed second reading.

The amendments proposed by the committee to Bill, No. 151, were concurred in

Mr. Meek offered an amendment, which he afterwards withdrew.

The bill then passed second reading as amended.

Mr. Pogue moved

To adjourn till 9½ o'clock, to-morrow morning ;

Which motion prevailed.

SATURDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 10, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Northcutt presented a memorial from sundry citizens of Grundy county, in relation to the present tax on merchants' license ;

Which was received and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Holmes from the Committee on the State Capitol, reported that said committee had had Bill, No. 115, for the relief of Thomas Shelton, and for other purposes, under consideration, and recommend that the blank be filled with six hundred, and that the bill thus amended, pass.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that House Bill, No. 120, to incorporate the Nicojack Railroad and Mining Company, was correctly enrolled.

Mr. Tompkins introduced Bill, No. 270,

To amend the civil practice in certain cases ;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. Richey introduced Bill, No. 271,

For the benefit of Common Schools ;

Which was read the first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Education and Common Schools.

Mr. Cox introduced Bill, No. 272,

To amend the charter of the City of Nashville ;

Which was read the first time, passed, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. Myatt introduced Bill, No. 273,

To amend the existing laws of this State on the subject of killing wolves ;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Campbell introduced Bill, No. 274,

To amend the revenue laws of this State ;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Smith moved a suspension of the rule, so as to take up Senate Bill, No. 10,

To incorporate the Institute of Purdy, McNairy County ;

Which motion prevailed, and the bill was read third time and passed.

Bill, No. 57, to authorize the taking of the depositions of practicing physicians,

Was taken up.

Mr. Gleaves moved a non-concurrence in the report of the Judiciary Committee recommending the rejection of said bill ;

Which motion prevailed, and the bill was read second time and passed.

Mr. Gleaves moved a suspension of the rule, so as to take up Bill, No. 197,

To exempt Masonic Lodges, Odd Fellows Halls, and Temperance Halls, from taxation ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Bullen moved

To refer the bill to the Committee on Ways and Means ;

Which motion failed, and the bill passed its second reading, and was, by leave of the House, withdrawn by Mr. Gleaves for amendment.

Mr. Harris, from Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported Bill, No. 222, correctly engrossed.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, moved to transmit Bill, No. 222, to amend an act entitled An act to amend an act passed 11th February, 1852, entitled An act to establish a system of Internal Improvements in this State, passed 8th February, 1854, forthwith to the Senate ;

Which motion prevailed.

Bill, No. 58, to increase the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace, Was taken up.

Mr. Cloud moved to non-concur in the report of the Judiciary Committee recommending the rejection of said bill ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Dortch moved the indefinite postponement of the bill ;

Upon which motion Mr. Cloud demanded the ayes and noes, and the vote being taken, resulted as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Burch, Campbell, Cook, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Galloway, Holmes, Kimble, Meek, Pogue, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—27.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Carlock, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Donelson, Fort, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris,

Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Taylor, Wallace, Watkins, Whiteside, and Wilson of Marshall.—29.

The House refused to postpone indefinitely.

Mr Tipton moved to amend the bill, by giving Magistrates concurrent jurisdiction with the Circuit and Chancery Courts of this State.

Mr. Nixon moved to lay the amendment on the table ;

Upon which motion Mr. Tipton demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cox, DeWitt, Donelson, Fort, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Wallace, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—44.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Campbell, Dortch, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tonipkins, Ward, Welcker, White, and Wood of Hardeman—11.

The amendment was laid on the table.

Mr. Wallace moved to amend the third section of the bill, by striking out “three hundred,” and inserting “two hundred.”

Mr. Dortch called for a division of the question ;

Which call was sustained by the House.

The question being submitted as to striking out “three hundred,”

The motion prevailed.

And the question being then submitted, as to inserting “two hundred,”

The motion prevailed, and the amendment was adopted by the House.

On motion of Mr. Gleaves,

The House adjourned till Monday morning, 10 o'clock.

MONDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 12, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, from Committee on Education and Common Schools, reported as follows :

The Committee on Education and Common Schools have under consideration bills of the following titles, to-wit : Bill, No. 61, en-

titled A bill for the benefit of Columbia Academy, in McMinn County; Bill, No. 102, entitled a bill for the benefit of parents and guardians; and I am instructed to report them back to the House, and recommend their rejection.

The Committee have also had under consideration Bill, No. 218, to amend the act of 1843, chapter 54, and I am instructed to recommend its passage.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. H. WOOD,
Chairman of Committee.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, from the Committee on Internal Improvements, reported as follows:

MR. SPEAKER:

The Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom Senate Bill, No. 54, to amend an act passed 11th February, 1852, chapter 152, entitled An act to establish a system of Internal Improvements in this State, was referred, have had that bill under consideration, and directed me to report the same back to the House, with the following amendments, to wit:

In the second line of section 1, strike out, the word "from" and insert in lieu thereof the word "two."

In the proviso to the 4th section, strike out the words "belong to them now," and insert in lieu thereof the words "ten thousand dollars per mile," so as not to give double State aid; and thus amended, the committee recommend the passage of the bill.

H. BROWN, Chairman.

Mr. Armstrong introduced Resolution, No. 70, as follows:

Whereas, It is of the first consequence to the State of Tennessee, that the great Atlantic and Pacific Railroad thoroughfare should pass through her territory; and whereas, it is believed by this General Assembly that the projected route, known as the "Southern route," through Texas, is not only the nearest and most practicable, but that it may contribute to effect the aforesaid object; therefore,

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That our Senators in Congress be instructed, and our Representatives requested to use their utmost exertions to procure the passage of a law by Congress favoring the construction and the location of the Pacific Railroad along that route known as the Southern route through Texas, and appropriating to it all the patronage and means consistent with the policy and power of the General Government.

Resolved, That the Governor of this State be requested to forward to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress, a copy of these resolutions;

Which was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Little introduced Bill, No. 275,
To charter the Shelbyville University of the Tennessee Conference ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. Bartlett introduced Bill, No. 276,
Prescribing the mode of proving open accounts before a Justice of the Peace ;

Which was read first time, passed, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Algee introduced Bill, No. 277,
To incorporate the Jackson Building and Loan Association ;
Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Cook until to-morrow.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Carlock on account of sickness and death in his family.

The House then took up the unfinished business of Saturday, being Bill, No. 58, to increase the jurisdictions of Justices of the Peace.

Mr. Bullen offered to amend, by the following provisos :

Provided, In no case under this act, either by appeal or *certiorari*, shall the plaintiff be allowed to more than six per cent. interest.

Provided further, That nothing contained in this act shall be so construed as to prevent the plaintiff from instituting suit in the Circuit Court originally, or at his discretion.

Mr. Burch demanded a division of the question.

The first proviso the House rejected.

The second proviso the House adopted.

Mr. Cloud moved the previous question ;

Which motion prevailed.

The bill being put upon its passage,

Mr. Bullen demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes.—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Campbell, Carmichael, Cobb, Cloud, Colquet, Colburn, Donelson, Dunnington, Fort, Galbreath, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Wallace, White, Whiteside, and Wilson of Marshall—29.

Noes.—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Gallaway, Gilbert, Holmes, Kimble, Little, Meek, Pogue, Runnels, Shemwell, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Waid, Watkins, Welcker, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—28.

The bill passed second reading.

Mr. White moved a reconsideration of the vote just taken.

Mr. Dortch moved to take up the motion to reconsider ;

Which motion prevailed ; and the House then reconsidered the vote passing the bill.

Mr. Harris then offered an amendment, in shape of a bill in lieu.

Mr. Harris moved

To reconsider the vote demanding the previous question ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Cloud moved

To strike out the third section of the original bill.

Mr. Runnels moved

To strike out "two" and insert in lieu "ten," in the amendment of Mr. Harris.

The amendment of Mr. Harris was adopted.

Mr. Bullen moved

To lay Mr. Runnel's amendment on the table ;

Upon which motion Mr. Runnels demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Tipton, Wallace, Welcker, Whiteside, and Wilson of Carroll—31.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Cloud, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Holmes, Little, Massengill, Pogue, Runnels, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, Watkins, White, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—26.

The motion to lay on the table prevailed.

Mr Tipton offered an amendment, as follows :

Be it further enacted, That in all cases of peace warrants, the Magistrate shall have power, if he find the defendant guilty, to bind said defendant to sureties for a year and a day, from which the defendant may appeal under the proper sureties ; and may tax the defendant with all proper costs.

Mr. DeWitt asked and obtained leave to withdraw for amendment, Bill, No. 151, to amend an act entitled An act to charter the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company, and the several acts amending said act, passed by the Legislatures of Kentucky and Tennessee.

Bill, No. 172, to extend the time for receiving State aid by the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company.

Mr. Travis asked and obtained leave to withdraw for amendment; House Bill, No. 48, to amend the charter of the Nashville and Northwestern Railroad Company, and to transfer a portion of its State aid to the Memphis and Ohio Railroad Company.

On motion of Mr. Massengill,

The House adjourned till 2½ o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Speaker Brown asked leave of absence for Mr. Looney;
Which was granted by the House.

Mr. Kinney asked leave of absence for Mr. Richey;
Which was granted.

Bill, No. 58, giving magistrates further jurisdiction,
Was taken up.

Mr. Bullen moved

To lay the amendment of Mr. Tipton on the table, but withdrew
his motion to permit Mr. Tipton to address the House.

Mr. Bullen then renewed his motion to lay the amendment on
the table.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, moved

To amend, by striking out "two," and inserting "five" in lieu.

Mr. Tipton moved

To lay the amendment of Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, on the table;
Which motion prevailed.

Mr. DeWitt moved

To amend by allowing an appeal from Magistrates' decisions;
Which was adopted.

Mr. Gallaway offered to amend, by inserting that, in all cases
where the lie, or damned lie is passed, it shall be considered an as-
sault;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Nixon moved

To indefinitely postpone the bill and amendments.

Mr. Harris demanded the ayes and noes ;

Which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton,
Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cobb, Cox, De-
Witt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fort, Gallaway, Gilbert, Har-
ris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Little, Meek, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue,
Runnels, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas,
Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of
Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—44.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Cloud, Colquet, Colburn, Galbreath,
Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Snodgrass, Wallace, White,
and Mr. Speaker Brown—14.

The Bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Tipton moved

To reconsider the vote just taken indefinitely postponing the bill
Upon which motion, Mr. Bullen, demanded the ayes and noes ;

Which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn,
Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mas

sengill, Mathis, Myatt, Northcutt, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Tipton, Wallace, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—25.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Cobb, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gilbert, Holmes, Little, Meek; Nixon, Pogue, Runnels, Shemwell, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—33.

The House refused to reconsider.

Mr. Runnels introduced a Resolution, No. 71, as follows :

Resolved, That the Judiciary Committee be instructed to report a bill to this House, a bill blending the offices of Trustee and Tax Collector, with such provisions as, in their judgment, will best secure the interest of the State.

Mr. Runnels moved to suspend the rule ;

Which motion failed.

House Bill, No. 59, to repeal the eighth section of the act of 1829, chap. 38, and to provide for the election of Agent of the Penitentiary,

On motion of Mr. Harris,

Was laid on the table.

House Bill, No. 60, to amend an act entitled

An act to provide for the taking of depositions,

Was taken up and passed second reading.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Senate has adopted the following Resolution, No. 9 :

Resolved, That the Senate meet the House of Representatives, in the Hall of the latter, on Thursday, 15th November, to elect a Public Printer for the next two years, and I am directed immediately to transmit the same for the action of the House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. Bartlett,

The House took up bill in lieu of Bills, Nos. 46 and 184, to amend the attachment laws of this State.

The bill then passed its third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cox, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fort, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—35.

Noes—Messrs. Gallaway, Snodgrass, and Tipton—3.

On motion of Mr. Temple,
The House took up House Bill, No. 218, to amend the act of 1843, chapter 54;

And the bill passed second reading.

Mr. Wallace moved to take up Senate Resolution, No. 9;

Which motion prevailed, and the resolution was adopted.

Mr. White moved to reconsider the vote just taken;

Upon which motion Mr. Dunnington demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman—30.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Taylor Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Mr. Speaker Brown—31.

On motion of Mr. Thomas, Bill, No. 20, to abolish the office of Entry Taker,

Was taken up.

Mr. Gilbert moved

To exempt the counties of Benton and Humphreys from the provisions of the bill.

Mr. Harris moved

To exempt Washington County from the provisions of the bill.

Mr. Armstrong moved

To exempt the counties of Knox and Sevier from the provisions of the bill.

Mr. Tipton moved

To exempt Carter and Johnson Counties from the provisions of the bill.

Mr. Bullen moved

To exempt Greene County from the provisions of the bill.

Mr. Meek moved

To indefinitely postpone the bill and amendments;

Which motion he withdrew.

Mr. Galbreath asked and obtained leave to withdraw the bill for amendment.

Mr. Tipton moved to adjourn till to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock;

Which motion prevailed.

TUESDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 13, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Cobb presented a petition from citizens of Polk, McMinn, Bradley and Meigs, praying an appropriation to clean out the Hiwassee River.

Mr. Bullen, from Committee on Public Roads and Highways, reported as follows :

On Bill, No. 232, to charter the White Plains and Montgomery Turnpike Company.

The Committee recommend an amendment to the fifth section, and the passage of the bill as amended.

Mr. Harris, from Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that Bill in lieu of Bills 46 and 184, to amend the Attachment Laws of this State, was correctly engrossed.

Mr. Holmes introduced Bill, No. 278;

To amend an act to amend the Internal Improvement act ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Mathis offered Resolution, No. 71, as follows :

Resolved, That this House hold night sessions Monday, Wednesday, and Friday nights, in each week ;

Which was laid over under the rule.

Mr. Carmichael offered a Resolution, No. 72, as follows :

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That, from and after the passage of this Resolution, no member of either House of the General Assembly, who shall be absent more than one day at one time, shall be entitled to draw his per diem, unless he be absent on account of sickness, and make the same appear to the House.

Laid over under the rule.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled act, to incorporate the Nicojack Railroad and Mining Company ; and the same has been deposited with the Secretary of State.

The Senate has receded from that portion of its amendment to House Bill, No. 96, entitled A bill to establish the county of Cumberland, in this State, which provides that the said county shall not take off any portion of Rhea County ; and insists upon the other amendments.

The Senate has also concurred in House amendment to Senate Resolution, No. 23, directory to the Keeper of the Lunatic Asylum ; and the same has been ordered to be enrolled.

The Senate has passed, on their third and last reading, House Bills,

No. 19, to change the time of holding the Circuit Courts in the counties of Hancock and Hawkins ; No. 14, to alter the dividing line between the counties of McMinn and Monroe.

The Senate has also passed, on their third reading, Senate Bills as follows, and the same are herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives :

No. 17, to change the manner of electing the Keeper of the Penitentiary. No. 18, to amend an act entitled An act to amend an act to establish a system of Internal Improvements in this State ; No. 19, to establish a Common Law and Criminal Court West of Reel Foot Lake, in Obion County ;

No. 53, to amend the charter of the Edgefield and Kentucky Railroad Company.

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts as follows, and the same are herewith transmitted for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

No. 10, to incorporate the Institute of Purdy, in McNairy county ;

Enrolled Resolution, No. 23, directory to the Keeper of the Lunatic Asylum ;

Act, No. 2, to amend the act of 1854, chapter 127, establishing a Chancery Court at Newport, in the county of Cocke :

No. 8, to authorize the White's Creek Turnpike Company to change the location of their second toll-gate.

Mr. Brazelton introduced Resolution, No. 73, as follows :

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That the Secretary of State be instructed to furnish the county of Hardin with four volumes of Nicholson and Caruthers, and Nicholson's Supplement, and four volumes of the different acts of the General Assembly, from Nicholson's Supplement up to the present time, for two new civil districts in said county, No. 14 and 15.

Laid over under the rule.

Mr. Meek introduced Bill, No. 279, authorizing the election of a Magistrate in the town of Dandridge ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Cox introduced Bill, No. 280, .

To protect the lay members of all ecclesiastical denominations against the domination of the clergy ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Cox introduced a Bill, No. 281,

To prescribe and limit the liabilities of Inn Keepers in certain cases ;

Which was passed first reading.

Cox introduced Bill, No. 282,

to prescribe the duty of the County Court of Davidson on disbursements from the sinking fund of said county, created to pay railroad

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Cox introduced Bill, No. 283,

To incorporate the Synod of Nashville;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. White introduced a Bill, No. 284,

To charter the Knoxville Bridge Company;

Which was passed first reading, and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Meek offered Resolution, No. 74, as follows:

Resolved, That the House will meet the Senate in this Hall, on Friday, the 16th inst., to elect a Register of the Land Office for the Eastern District;

Which was laid over under the rule.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, from the Committee on Internal Improvements, reported as follows:

The Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom sundry bills were referred, has had the same under consideration and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the following amendments and recommendations, to wit:

Bill, No. 249, to be entitled An act to incorporate the Mineral Railroad Company of East Tennessee, and for other purposes;

The Committee recommend that said bill be amended, by striking out the words "as soon as twenty miles of said railroad shall have been graded by said company," at the close of the 15th section of said act; and a majority of said committee recommend the passage of said bill as amended.

Bill, No. 131, guaranteeing the payment by the State of certain bonds issued, and to be issued by the city of Memphis.

The Committee recommend that said bill be amended by adding the following proviso to the second section:

Provided that the said Memphis and Little Rock Railroad Company shall first endorse each of said bonds, guaranteeing the payment of the same together with all interest accruing thereon.

Provided, further, that the city of Memphis shall first, by its proper authorities, execute a mortgage, giving to the State of Tennessee a priority of lien on the stock and interest of city in said Railroad Company;

And a majority of the Committee recommend the passage of the said bill thus amended.

Bill, No. 76, to incorporate the McMinnville and Sparta Turnpike Company.

The Committee recommend that this bill be amended by striking out all between the words "McMinnville, in Warren county," and the words "Sparta, in said White county," in the 5th section, and by adding the following proviso to the 8th section:

Provided that nothing in this act shall grant, or be construed to grant, State aid or credit to said Company, in any manner whatever;

And thus amended, the Committee recommend the passage of said bill.

Bill, No. 259, to charter the Pikeville and Shell Mound Turnpike Road.

The Committee recommend that this bill be amended by adding the following proviso to the 7th section :

Provided that nothing in this act shall grant, or be construed to grant, State aid or State credit to said Company, in any manner whatever ;

And that with this amendment the Committee recommend the passage of said bill.

Bill, No. 262, For an appropriation to clean out the Hiwassee River.

The Committee recommend the rejection of this bill.

Bill, No. 201, to be entitled An act to amend An act passed 2d March, 1854, entitled An act to secure the completion of turnpike roads in Smith, Wilson and Sumner counties, by State credit, and for other purposes.

The Committee recommend the rejection of this bill.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. BROWN,
Chairman.

M. Travis introduced Bill, No. 285, To allow railroad companies to increase their capital stock, and for other purposes;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Kinney offered Resolution, No. 75, as follows :

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That the Committee on Education and Common Schools be requested to enquire into the expediency of applying the clear profits or proceeds of our State Prison and Penitentiary, together with the fines arising from Sabbath breaking, profane swearing, and drunkenness, to the Common School Fund of the State, that the evils thereof may prove a remedy itself;

Which was laid over under the rule.

Mr. Dortch introduced Bill, No. 286, For the benefit of the Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, introduced Bill, No. 287, To extend the corporate limits of the town of Bolivar ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. DeWitt returned Bills, Nos. 151 and 172 ;

Which he had withdrawn for amendment.

Mr. DeWitt moved

That 75 copies be printed of Bill, No. 151, to amend an act entitled An act to charter the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company, and the several acts amending said act, passed by the Legislatures of Kentucky and Tennessee ;

Which motion failed,

Mr. Meek moved

To reconsider the vote just taken ;

Which motion prevailed, and the House ordered 75 copies to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Travis;

Senate Bill, No. 54, To amend an act passed 11th February, 1852, chapter 152, entitled An act to establish a system of Internal Improvements in this State,

Was taken up.

The amendments proposed by the Committee on Internal Improvements concurred in, and the bill passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Smith,

House Bill, No. 97, To secure to married women the right and use of their own property,

Was taken up.

The Bill in lieu, offered by Mr. Smith, was adopted by the House.

Mr. Meek offered an amendment ;

Which was ruled out of order.

Mr. Stovall moved

To amend by adding :

Be it further enacted, That the husband's property shall not be subject to the wife's debts ;

Which was rejected.

On motion of Mr. Armstrong,

The bill was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

House Bill, No. 62, Prohibiting acting Justices of the Peace from serving upon grand Juries of this State,

Was taken up.

Mr. Tipton moved

Its indefinite postponement ;

Upon which Mr. Colquet demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Cloud, Cox, DeWitt, Donelson, Fort, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Runnels, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, and Wood of Hardeman—44.

Noes—Messrs. Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Cavitt, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Dortch, Dunnington, Galbreath, Little, Pogue, Rudd, Shemwell, Temple, and Wilson of Marshall—17.

On motion of Mr. Gallaway,

The House adjourned till 2½ o'clock, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Temple introduced a Bill, No. 283, To exempt certain property from execution, and for other purposes ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

House Bill, No. 65, To enforce the laws of this State,

Was taken up.

Mr. Cox offered an amendment, that the Judges of the Circuit Courts shall select jurors in the different counties of their respective circuits, in lieu of the County Courts.

Mr. Bullen moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill and amendments;

Upon which motion, Mr. Gallaway demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colburn, Donelson, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Temple, Tipton, Wallace, Watkins, Wilson of Carroll, and Wood of Hardeman—37.

Noes—Messrs. Bartlett, Bobo, Brien, Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Gilbert, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Stovall, Taylor, Thomas, Travis, Ward, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—27.

The bill was indefinitely postponed.

House Bill, No. 66, Providing for the manner of holding elections in the city of Nashville.

Mr. Dunnington moved

To amend the bill by inserting Memphis, but withdrew the amendment.

The amendment proposed by the Committee on Elections was concurred in, and the bill passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Brien,

Bill, No. 45, To secure the completion of the Smithville and Minnville Turnpike Road,

Was taken up.

Mr. Brien moved

A non-concurrence in the report of the Committee on Internal Improvements, recommending the rejection of the bill ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Harris proposed an amendment to appropriate four thousand dollars to the Washington county and Walnut Mountain Turnpike Road, to enable the citizens of that portion of the county to get their produce to market.

Mr. Galbreath moved

To amend, that the provisions of the bill be extended to the Flynn's Lick and Granville Turnpike Company.

Mr. Tipton moved

To amend by extending the provisions of the bill to the Blountsville, Middleton, and Elizabethton Turnpike Road.

Mr. Smith offered an amendment that four thousand dollars be appropriated for a turnpike road in McNairy county, to be known as the Snake Creek Turnpike Company.

Mr. Carmichael offered an amendment appropriating two thousand dollars to the Bean's Station Turnpike Company.

Mr. Meek offered an amendment chartering the Strawberry Plains and Louisville Turnpike Road, and extending the provisions of the bill to the same.

Mr. Mabry moved the previous question ;

Which motion prevailed.

Upon the passage of the bill, Mr. Dunnington called for the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Cavitt, Colquet, Cox, DeWitt, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Parks, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—32.

Noes.—Messrs. Bobo, Bazelon, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Pogue, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Travis, Watkins, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—31.

The bill passed second reading.

Mr. Meek entered a motion to reconsider the vote just taken.

House Bill, No. 69, For the benefit of James McGee,

Was taken up.

The report of the Committee on Claims recommending the passage of the bill, was concurred in,

And the bill passed second reading.

Mr. Harris, from Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that Bill, No. 14, To alter the dividing line between the counties of McMinn and Monroe, was correctly enrolled.

Mr. Tipton moved

To take up the motion entered by Mr. Meek, to reconsider the vote passing Bill, No. 45.

Mr. Tipton withdrew the motion.

Mr. Ward renewed Mr. Tipton's motion to take up the motion to reconsider,

Which motion prevailed.

The vote being taken on the motion to reconsider, prevailed.

Mr. Harris moved

To adjourn till 9½ o'clock, to-morrow ;

Which motion failed.

Mr. Mabry moved

To adjourn till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

Mr. Harris demanded the ayes and noes.

Mr. Mabry withdrew the motion.

On motion of Mr. Gallaway,

The House adjourned till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Holmes moved a call of the House.

Absent—

Messrs. Pope, Taylor, Temple, and White, besides those having leave of absence.

Mr. Cavitt, from Committee on Incorporations, reported that the Committee recommend that the 6th section of Bill, No. 290, To incorporate Rotherwood Classical Seminary, in Hawkins county, be stricken out, and, thus amended, that the bill pass.

On Bill, No. 206, To incorporate the Hibernia Mining Company, and recommended its passage.

On Bill, No. 258, To extend the corporate limits of the town of Unionville, and for other purposes, and recommended its passage.

On Bill, No. 217, To amend An act passed February 9, 1850, chapter 179, and recommended its rejection.

On Bill, No. 183, To amend the charter of the city of Nashville. The Committee recommend that the second section be stricken out, and to strike out all in the 3d section after the words "regular employment;" and, thus amended, recommend its passage.

On Bill, No. 257, To charter the Phoenix Mining and Manufacturing Company.

The Committee recommend certain amendments, and, as amended, the passage of the bill.

Mr. Cowden presented a memorial from citizens of Marshall county, in relation to tax on Merchants' License;

Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Meek introduced Bill, No. 288, To charter the Strawberry Plains and Sevierville Turnpike Company;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

The unfinished business was taken up, being Bill, No. 45, To secure the completion of the Smithville and McMinnville Turnpike Company.

The motion to reconsider the vote passing the bill, was adopted.

On the final question, the passage of the bill on its second reading, Mr. Dunnington called for the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Cavitt, Colquet, Cox, DeWitt, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Parks, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—32.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Pogue, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Watkins, Wilson, of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—33.

The bill was rejected.

Mr. Newman entered a motion to reconsider the vote just taken.

The attention of the House having been directed to an anonymous article in one of the daily city papers,

Mr. Bobo offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That it is the sense of this House, that the editor of the Gazette be requested to expose the name of the writer of the article in question, in to-morrow morning's issue, for this House to take such action as it may deem proper.

On motion,

The rule was suspended.

Mr. Pogue offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That it is the sense of this House that, as full compensation for the Lecture we receive through the Gazette, we present the "Visitor" with a pair of buck's horns, so that he may place them in a conspicuous place on his shoulders, and let us know when his Highness is about.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To lay the entire subject on the table.

Mr. Bobo asked and obtained leave to withdraw the resolution.

Mr. Travis returned Senate Bill, No. 41, to amend the charter of the Nashville and North-western Railroad Company, and to transfer a portion of its State aid to the Memphis and Ohio Railroad, with an amendment.

Mr. Cox moved

To take up Bill, No. 183, to amend the charter of the city of Nashville ;

Which prevailed.

The amendments proposed by the Committee on Incorporations, were concurred in.

Mr. Cox offered to amend, by adding three additional sections ;

Which were adopted, and the bill was re-committed to the Committee on Incorporations.

Senate Bill, No. 41, returned by Mr. Travis;

Was taken up, and the amendment proposed by him to the second section of the bill, was adopted.

The amendment to the third section under consideration,

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, moved

To amend the amendment, by striking out that part that appropriates State aid to that part of the road laying in the State of Kentucky.

Mr. Travis accepted the amendment, proposed by Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, by withdrawing the proviso to the amendment.

On motion of Mr. DeWitt,

The House adjourned till half-past 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The unfinished business of the morning was taken up.

The amendment proposed by Mr. Travis, in lieu of the third section as amended, was adopted.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, offered an amendment, providing that \$50,000, in bonds of the State, be appropriated to the Mobile and Ohio Railroad, to build bridges across the Forked Deer and Obion Rivers, on said road, to be inserted after the word "Trenton," in last section.

Mr. Travis called for the previous question ;

Which call he withdrew, to enable Mr. Brown, of Madison, to address the House in relation to his amendment.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled act, entitled

An act to alter the dividing line between the counties of McMinn and Monroe;

And the same has been deposited with the Secretary of State.

The Senate has passed, on its third and last reading, House Bill, No. 39, entitled

A bill to change the name of Sampson Stewart,

With an amendment to change the name of James Brooks;

And the same has been ordered to be immediately transmitted to the House.

Mr. Holmes offered an amendment to the amendment of Mr. Brown, of Madison, as follows :

Provided, The Mobile and Ohio Railroad shall be completed from the town of Jackson to the intersection of the Nashville and Northwestern Railroad, by January 1, 1857.

Mr. Travis called for the previous question ;

Upon which, Mr. Brown, of Madison, called for the ayes and noes ;

Which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brien, Campbell, Cavitt, Cowden, Cox, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fort, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Myatt, Newman, Parks, Runnels, Rudd, Shemwell, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Watkins, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—39.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, DeWitt, Gallaway, Gleaves, Kimble, Mathis, Meek, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Temple, Ward, Welcker, and Wood of Hardeman—26.

The call was sustained.

Upon the final passage of the bill,

Mr. Stovall demanded the ayes and noes ;

Which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brown of Madison, Burch, Campbell, Cavitt, Cloud, Cox, Donelson, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Parks, Runnels, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—49.

Noes—Messrs. Brazelton, Brien, Bullen, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, DeWitt, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gleaves, Mathis, Nixon, Pogue, Stovall, and Wilson of Marshall—17.

The bill passed its third reading.

Mr. Cavitt moved

That the bill be transmitted at once to the Senate ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Looney asked and obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 268, to amend the act of 1842, chapter 35, section 1, and for other purposes.

Mr. Dortch asked and obtained leave, to withdraw Bill, No. 205, to amend an act entitled An act to establish a State Agricultural Bureau, &c., and for other purposes.

Mr. Meek moved

To take up Senate Bill, No. 18 ;

Which motion failed.

Mr. Bullen offered a Resolution, No. 86, as follows :

Whereas, it is attended with a considerable waste of time to take up bills and resolutions out of their regular order ; therefore,

Resolved, That the House hereafter refuse to entertain a motion to that effect.

Mr. Bullen moved to suspend the rule ;

Which motion failed.

Mr. Ball moved

To take up Bill, No. 17, to change the time of holding Circuit Courts in the counties of Hancock and Hawkins ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Ball moved

A concurrence in the Senate's amendment ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Tipton moved to take up Bill, No. 136 ;

Which motion failed.

Resolution, No. 74, was taken up, adopted, and

On motion of Mr. Meek, was ordered to be transmitted to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Kinney,

The House adjourned till to-morrow morning, 9½ o'clock.

THURSDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 16, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Northcutt presented a petition from E. Shacker and many citizens of Coffee county, praying permission to hawk and peddle without licence ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Watkins presented a petition from citizens of Giles county, in regard to merchants' tax ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Looney presented similar petitions from citizens of Maury county ;

Which was referred to the same committee.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, a similar petition from citizens of Cannon county ;

Which was referred to the same committee.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that Bill, No. 17, to change the time of holding the Circuit Courts in the counties of Hancock and Hawkins, were correctly enrolled.

Mr. Massengill introduced Bill, No. 289,

To furnish certain officers of Sullivan county with the acts of 1853-4; and copies of Nicholson and Caruthers, and Nicholson's supplement;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. Snodgrass offered a Resolution, No. 87, as follows:

Whereas, by the present mode of electing the Public Printer, the State of Tennessee sustains a loss of some five or six thousand dollars every two years, which should be remedied by adopting a different course; therefore,

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That the public printing for the next two years be let out to the lowest bidder, and the Secretary of State is hereby instructed to receive bids for the same from any printer in this State, untill the 15th day of December next; and the man or company making the lowest bid, and giving bond with good security, for the faithful performance of the work, after being notified by the Secretary of State, shall be public printer for the two years, as specified in this resolution, or untill the meeting of the next General Assembly.

Mr. Snodgrass moved a suspension of the rule;

Which motion failed.

Mr. Holmes introduced Bill, No. 290,

To incorporate the Bluff City Building and Loan Association, of Memphis;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Cobb introduced Bill, No. 291,

To authorize James Parks and Company to build a bridge across Ocoee River, at or near Parksville, in the county of Polk;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Tipton introduced Bill, No. 292,

To incorporate the Watauga Bridge Company and for other purposes;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. Watkins introduced Bill, No. 293,

To regulate Merchants' Taxes;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Bullen offered Resolution No. 88, as follows:

Whereas, we have seen a communication in the Daily Gazette of the 4th inst, disrespectful and slanderous of the members of this House; and whereas, we believe it to be the duty of all newspaper organs to discountenance all such *vile* and vindictive communications; and whereas, it was expected that the editor would have given an explanation in this morning's paper; but to our astonishment, he has utterly refused or neglected to do so; therefore,

Resolved, That each and every member who is a subscriber to the above paper, be earnestly requested to discontinue the same; and, in the event any member shall continue to take said paper, he shall pay for the same out of his own pocket, from and after this date.

The resolution was laid over under the rule.

Mr. Donelson, from the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures, returned Bill, No. 250, to incorporate the East Tennessee Farming, Grass-growing, Stock-raising, and Manufacturing Company, and recommended a bill in lieu, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Cox moved

To take up Senate Bill, No. 54, to amend an act passed 11th February, 1852, chapter 152, entitled An act to establish a System of Internal Improvements in this State.

The motion prevailed, and the bill being amended, passed third reading.

Mr. DeWitt moved to take up Bill, No. 172,

To extend the time for receiving State aid by the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company;

Which motion prevailed, and the bill passed third reading.

Mr. Newman moved to take recess, preparatory to meeting the Senate in Convention to elect a Public Printer;

Which motion he withdrew.

Mr. Looney moved

That 3 o'clock be the hour at which the Convention should convene.

Mr. Dunnington moved to strike out 3 and insert 11 o'clock;

Which motion prevailed, and the motion as amended was passed.

Mr. DeWitt moved that Bill, No. 172, be transmitted at once to the Senate;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Gleaves returned Bill, No. 197, to exempt Masonic Lodges, Odd Fellows Halls, and Sons of Temperance Halls from taxation, and moved that the same be taken up;

Which motion failed.

Bill, No. 63, to change the manner of taxing lands divided by county lines,

Was taken up.

Mr. Watkins moved

That the House take a recess of ten minutes, to prepare for the reception of the Senate;

Which motion prevailed.

At the expiration of ten minutes the House was called to order, and resumed the business before the House when it took recess.

Mr. Gilbert moved to amend, by allowing citizens brought within the provisions of this bill to avail themselves of it or not, at their own option.

Mr. Gilbert withdrew his amendment.

Mr. Bullen offered an amendment, as follows:

Be it enacted, That hereafter, all persons who may own taxable property in more than one civil district in their respective counties, they shall be allowed to list the same in the district in which they reside.

Mr. Ball proposed to amend the amendment, as follows:

Provided the tax books shall show the quantity of land he, she, or they may own in each district, separately.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER⁸:

I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has now concurred in House action fixing the hour for meeting in Convention for the purpose of electing Public Printer, at 11 o'clock this A. M., and have suggested 3½ o'clock, P. M., to-day, for the meeting of said Convention; and ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives in the same.

Mr. Cavitt moved to take up Senate Message;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Nixon moved to amend, by fixing the 2d day of December as the time for electing Public Printer.

Mr. Nixon withdrew his motion.

Mr. Cavitt offered a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That the resolution authorizing a Convention of the two Houses this day, to go into the election of Public Printer, be rescinded.

Resolved, That the two Houses, will meet in this House on the second Tuesday in December, at 11 o'clock, A. M., for the purpose of going into the election of Public Printer.

On motion of Mr. White,

The rule was suspended.

On motion of Mr. Tipton,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The unfinished business of the morning was resumed.

Mr. Cavitt asked and obtained leave to withdraw his resolution.

Mr. Nixon moved a concurrence in the Senate's amendment, fixing 3½ o'clock, P. M., as for going into the election of a Public Printer.

Mr. Massengill moved to take up Bill, No. 190;

Which motion failed.

Mr. Harris introduced Bill, 294,

To charter the Jonesboro' Bank;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Banks.

Mr. Newman moved to take up his motion to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 45,

To secure the completion of the McMinnville and Smithville Turnpike Road ;

Which motion prevailed.

Upon the question of reconsidering the vote rejecting the bill, Mr. Dunnington demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs., Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Runnels, Rudd, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—44.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Gilbert, Harris, Massengill, Mathis, Nixon, Pogue, Smith, Stovall, Tipton, Travis, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—25.

The vote was reconsidered.

Mr. Harris moved to lay the bill on the table for the present ;

Which motion prevailed.

Bill, No. 71, To provide for the appointment of deputies,

Was taken up.

Mr. Hatton moved

A non-concurrence in the report of the Committee on Judiciary, recommending the rejection of the bill ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. White moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill ;

Which motion failed.

Mr. Parks asked and obtained leave to withdraw the bill for amendment.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Senate has passed, upon its third and last reading, House Bill, No. 222, entitled A bill to amend an act entitled An act to amend an act passed 11th February, 1852, entitled An act to establish a system of Internal Improvements in this State, passed February 8th, 1854 ; with amendments granting further time to the Southern Central and Winchester and Alabama Railroad. And the same is hereby transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives.

The House took a recess of five minutes, preparatory to receiving the Senate in Convention, to elect a Public Printer.

In Convention.

The Convention was called to order by the Speaker of the Senate.

Mr. Caldwell moved

To adjourn until 2d Tuesday in December ;

On which motion, Mr. Newman demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—33. Senators 12. Total 45.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Tipton, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hademan—38. Senators 11. Total 49.

In the affirmative,	-	-	-	-	45
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In the negative,	-	-	-	-	49
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The motion failed.

Mr. Welcker introduced a resolution directing the Secretary of State to advertise for bids for the Public Printing, and to let it to the lowest bidder, &c. ;

Which the President ruled out of order.

Mr. Harris moved

The previous question.

Mr. Hall moved

A call of the Convention.

Absent—

From the House—Messrs. Carlock, Fielder, Gallaway, and Richey.

From the Senate—Messrs. Hitch and Stokes.

Mr. Hatton moved

That the Convention adjourn till to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock, to permit members who are absent from sickness, Messrs. Hitch, Carlock, Richey, and Fielder, to be present ;

On which motion the ayes and noes were demanded, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—31. Senators 13.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Rudd

Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Tipton, Travis, Wallace, Watkins, Wilson of Marshall, Welcker, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman—40. Senators 10. Total 50.

Mr. Newman moved

The previous question ;

On which Mr. Cook demanded the ayes and nees, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Tipton, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—38. Senators 11. Total 49.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—33. Senators 12. Total 45.

In the affirmative, - - - - - 49

In the negative, - - - - - 45

The call was sustained.

The President having declared nominations to be in order,

Mr. Carmichael nominated Church, Poats, and O'Brien ;

Mr. Rodgers nominated W. W. Gates & Co.

The Convention proceeded to ballot as follows :

For Messrs. Church, Poats & O'Brien—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Tipton, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman—38. Senators 11. Total 49.

For Messrs. W. W. Gates & Co—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—33. Senators 11. Total 44.

It appearing that Messrs. Church, Poats and O'Brien had received a majority of all the votes cast, they were declared by the President of the Convention, duly and constitutionally elected Public Printers for the State for the next two years.

The business for which the Convention had assembled having been discharged, the Senate withdrew to their chamber.

On motion of Mr. Cook,

The House adjourned till to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock.

FRIDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 16, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Hatton presented a communication from the State Geologist.

Mr. Meek moved

To lay on the table,

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Cook, from the Committee on Tippling and Tippling Houses, reported on Bill, No. 67, To suppress intemperance. The Committee recommended certain amendments, and the passage of the bill as amended.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, from the Committee on Internal Improvements, reported as follows:

Mr. SPEAKER :

The Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom Resolutions "Instructing our Senators and requesting our Representatives in Congress to favor, so far as it may be in their power, the Southern Pacific Railroad route through Texas," were referred, would beg leave to state that they have had the same under consideration, and concur in the opinion of their correctness.

The Committee would submit the following brief compilation of facts, figures and opinions, connected with this subject:

This road should be built; it is an undertaking of the greatest magnitude—a continuous line of two thousand miles in length—at a cost of one hundred millions of dollars. It is the greatest enterprise of the age, and as a National scheme should have appropriated to it, in the language of the Resolutions, "all the patronage and means consistent with the policy and powers of the general government."

The United States have a coast line of near twenty-two hundred miles on the Atlantic Ocean, and on the Pacific about fourteen hundred miles, with an area of near three millions of square miles of territory spreading out from ocean to ocean, embracing twenty degrees of latitude, and containing about twenty millions of inhabitants, with wealth unbounded and resources inexhaustible; yet between the two extremes of the Union, the old Atlantic States on the East, and the young Pacific States on the West, there is no National highway or thoroughfare on our own soil. Between these States there is a wide, unbroken territory lying in one grand and almost trackless wilderness. The travel, commerce and mails passing from one of these States to the others, must pass through foreign lands to reach our own shores, and continually be subject to the exactions of friends or foes, as these foreign nations, upon whom we are dependant, may be.

The road should be built as a connecting link in the great sys.

tems of railroads—the arteries of trade and commerce—elements of this Nation's greatness—and these lines of road should be extended and distributed throughout the whole body politic, so as to vivify and connect the whole.

This road is not only a necessary means of travel and commerce, but is essential to the perpetuity of the bonds of Union between the East and West, and to the cementing of our nationality. The peaceful and political relations between these widely dissevered States, will in a good degree depend upon the blending of interest, commercially and socially, by railroad communication,—the linking the States together with interest and patriotism. This road will bear upon its bosom a million tons of freight and trade to invite the pecuniary, while twenty millions of passengers will fix the social interests of the citizens of this great Republic—so that these *iron bands of rails*, thrown across the continent, will lead to a lively intercourse and advantageous commerce to the States, and be stronger, and tend more to render our Union indissoluble, and perpetuate our national blessings, than compacts and constitutions.

If the intercourse between our States is impeded ; if one portion is taught or compelled to seek associates and business companions abroad ; and the Government fails to make the approaches to all parts of the country accessible, estrangement to the Government is the consequence—the national ties are weakened, and a desire is begotten, if an effort is not made, to sever the bonds of union. The completion of this railroad would remove all these difficulties, and be an important step preservative of a great Pacific Confederacy in the future of this country.

Nature and the Engineer's instruments have both pointed to the Southern route as the nearest and most practicable. Nature speaks in the climate, soil, timber, rivers and productions. The instruments mark the distances, elevations and depressions on the route—showing the cost to be about one half of the other routes, while the distance is about one-third less. Free from the cold of the North and the diseases of the extreme South, and with the certainty and safety of the route, as evidenced in these characteristics, this route will command and receive the travel and carrying trade between the oceans.

The Secretary of War after a review of the several routes, distances, cost, character of the work, says :

“A comparison of the results stated above, and of those exhibited in the tables referred to, conclusively show that the route of the 32d parallel, (the Texas route,) is, of those surveyed, the most practical and economical route for a Railroad from the Mississippi river to the Pacific ocean.”

“This is the shortest route, and not only is its estimated cost less by a third than that of any other of the lines, but the character of the work required, is such that it could be executed in a vastly shorter period.”

And again : “Not only is this the shortest and least costly route

to the Pacific, but is the shortest and cheapest route to San Francisco, the greatest commercial city on our Western coast; while the aggregate length of railroad lines connecting it at its Eastern terminus with the Atlantic and Gulf seaports, is less than the aggregate connection with any other route."

How is this road connected with Tennessee, and why are Tennesseans more deeply interested in this route than most of her sister States? The Eastern terminus of this road is properly at Corsicana, Texas; as that is the branching point for either New Orleans, Vicksburg, Memphis, or St. Louis. From Corsicana the road runs to Fulton, to Little Rock, and from thence to Memphis—these connections are not only contemplated, but are being provided for and built—by the Fulton and Memphis and Little Rock roads, we are borne from the trunk of the Great Pacific Road to Memphis, the great cotton emporium of the Southwest—thus making the principal branch—practically the terminus of this great National thoroughfare at Memphis, in our State; and there connecting with the entire system of Railroads in Tennessee, and running through the State, connecting with the roads North, South, and East, gathering within its influence the roads from Georgia to Maine—the Lakes, and the Atlantic ocean.

This route connects Memphis, Jackson, Nashville, Murfreesboro', Chattanooga, and Knoxville, the great cities of the State;—and from Memphis, by great leading roads, to Louisville; and thence to the cities on the Atlantic coast, to Charleston and New Orleans. From Jackson, the capitol of the West, to New Orleans, to Mobile, to Cairo, St. Louis, and through the States of Illinois, Indiana, and Ohio, to the cities of the Lakes and the East. From Nashville, the Metropolis of the State, to the cities of Tennessee, East and West, uniting with their leading routes, and to Cincinnati, Charleston, New Orleans, Savannah, Louisville and Evansville. And from Knoxville, the Metropolis of the ancient State of Frankland, now the rapidly growing emporium of the fairest portion of the United States—by her great radiating routes to Louisville and Cincinnati, to Charleston and Savannah, to Beaufort, Wilmington, and Norfolk, and to Washington, Baltimore, and New York; and thus tap the grand cordon of roads that bind our Eastern coast.

No commercial project in the world ever did, or can offer such a prospect of business and profits. The Pacific coast will soon be filled with busy millions of moving, traveling, trading inhabitants. The millions then lying West, and "beyond the West," with the millions on the East, will travel this road. The commerce and trade of the United States, with much from Europe, India, and other distant nations, will pass over this great artery of trade and travel. A large portion of all this commerce and travel will pass through Tennessee, on our railroad routes, or be discharged and distributed at the city of Memphis. This immense amount of commerce will give Memphis her hundred thousand inhabitants, with wealth exceeding any city of the South; and these commercial ad-

vantages will be diffused and felt throughout the State—the citizens will realize these vivifying influences from Carter to Shelby. The wealth, commerce and travel, with their attendant advantages foreshadowed to Tennessee, cannot now be computed. Tennessee alone, however, is not to be the recipient of all the blessings to flow from the building the world's highway. Our whole country will share in this prosperity. The wilderness will be subdued, agriculture quadrupled, mines opened, and the great natural resources developed. This country will be the grainery of the world—the canvass of her commerce will be upon every sea—while the smoke from her manufactories and workshops will commingle, and hammer will respond to hammer, from the rising to the setting sun of our great Republic.

The Committee therefore recommend the passage of the resolutions.

All which is respectfully submitted.

H. BROWN,
Chairman.

Mr. Newman introduced Bill, No. 295, to incorporate the Ritchie Printing and Publishing Company, of the city of Nashville ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Travis, from Special Joint Committee on Law Reform, reported as follows :

The Joint Committee, appointed by the General Assembly, to take into consideration the subject of Law Reform, beg leave to report that they have had under consideration said subject, and have prepared a bill in lieu of the several bills before the Assembly, and recommend its introduction into the Senate, and the printing of a sufficient number of copies for the use of both Houses, and its final adoption.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. E. TRAVIS,
Chairman of the House Committee.
J. W. HEAD,
Chairman of Committee of Senate.

Mr. Cavit introduced Bill, No. 296, to incorporate the Tennessee and Columbus Railroad Company ;

Which passed first reading and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Newman asked leave of absence for Mr. Watkins, on account of urgent business ;

Which was granted.

Leave was also granted to Mr. DeWitt, for same reason.

Mr. Kimble introduced a Bill, No. 297, to repeal an act passed 21st day of February, 1852, entitled

An act to change the line dividing the counties of Perry and Wayne ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on New Counties and County Lines.

Mr. Thomas introduced Bill, No. 298, to suppress the circulation of bank notes of a less denomination than five dollars, payable without the State ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Banks.

On motion of Mr. Looney,

House Bill, No. 222, to amend An act entitled An act to amend An act, passed 11th February, 1852, entitled An act to establish a system of Internal Improvements in this State,

Was taken up.

On motion of Mr. Looney,

Senates amendments were concurred in

On motion of Mr. Cobb, Resolution, No. 88,

Was taken up.

Mr. Tipton offered an amendment,

That members pay for all the papers they receive ;

Mr. Algee moved

That the Resolution be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Dunnington called for the previous question ;

Which call was sustained.

On the indefinite postponement of the resolution,

Mr. Bullen demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Colquet, Cook, Cox, Davie, De Witt, Dortch, Easterly, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Looney, Meek, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—37.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Campbell, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gilbert, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Rudi, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Travis, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—31,

The resolution was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Newman moved

That all the resolutions on the desk be taken up and disposed of ;

Which motion prevailed.

House Resolution, appointing a committee of three Commissioners to investigate the Bank of Tennessee,

Was laid on the table.

Resolution, No. 31, directory to the Committee on Common Schools and Education,

Was laid on the table.

Resolution, No. 50, in relation to Reporters,

Was laid on the table.

Resolution, No. 54, expressing the opinion of the General Assembly, and approving the course of the Commissioners of the East

Tennessee Division Fair, in the expenditure of the \$1000 appropriated by the State, to that Fair,

Was adopted.

Resolution, No. 55, provides that no bill shall be introduced after the first of December, was rejected.

Resolution, No. 56, providing for holding night sessions, three times each week.

Mr. Travis moved

To amend by the provision of local business and resolutions exclusively ;

Which Mr. Cavitt accepted.

Mr. Wilson of Marshall, offered an amendment, as follows :

Resolved, further, that the ordinary adjournments of this House be to 9, A. M., and 2, P. M.

Mr. Wallace moved

To indefinitely postpone the resolution and amendments.

The ayes and noes being demanded, were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Brazelton, Cloud, Cowden, Davie, Easterly, Fort, Hatton, Looney, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Wallace, Welcker, White, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—18.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cox, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Parks, Runnels, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman and Mr. Speaker Brown—48.

The House refused to indefinitely postpone.

A Message, was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Senate has passed, on their thrid readings, House Bills as follows, and the same are herewith transmitted for enrollment:

No. 31, A bill giving Presley Carden further time to finish his turnpike road.

No. 12, to amend an act entitled An act to incorporate the Mississippi, Central and Tennessee Railroad Company.

No. 134, to repeal all laws incorporating the town of Columbus, in Polk county.

No. 185, to incorporate the Memphis Cotton Mills.

The Senate has also passed, on its third and last reading, Senate Bill,

No. 56, to authorize the election of additional Justices of the Peace in certain cases, and for other purposes; and the same is herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has concurred in House amendments to Senate Bill, No. 41, entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the Nashville and Northwestern Railroad Company, and to transfer a portion of its State aid to the Memphis and Ohio Railroad.

And the same has been ordered to be enrolled.

The Senate has also concurred in House amendments to Senate Bill, No. 54, entitled

A bill to amend an act passed 11th February, 1852, chapter 152, entitled An act to establish a system of Internal Improvements in this State;

And has adopted an additional amendment to said bill as follows:

Provided, That this act does not work any forfeitures of the State aid granted to the Memphis and Ohio Railroad Company, and the Memphis, Clarksville and Louisville Railroad Company, under the act of the 11th of February, 1852, chapter 152; entitled An act to establish a system of Internal Improvements in this State, and the acts amending the same.

And the same is herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Brien moved

That the House adjourn until to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock, in order that the Committees have opportunity to consider the business before them.

Upon which motion, the ayes and noes were demanded, and were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Brien, Cavitt, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Fort, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Mabry, Nixon, Pogue, Temple, Tipton, Ward, Welcker, and Mr. Speaker Brown—20.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Holmes Kimble, Kinney, Little, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Parks, Runnels, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—43.

The motion was rejected.

On motion of Mr. Thomas,

The House adjourned till 3 o'clock, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The House resumed the unfinished business of the morning.

Mr. Snodgrass called the previous question.

The House refused to sustain the call.

Mr. Dunnington offered a resolution in lieu of the original resolution, as follows :

Resolved, That hereafter the hours of business of this House shall be, and they are hereby fixed, from 9 o'clock, A. M., to 3 o'clock, P. M., of each day.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To lay the resolution in lieu on the table ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Thomas offered the following in lieu of the Resolution :

Resolved That in future the business hours of the House shall be from 9 to 12 in the morning, and from 2 to 5 in the afternoon ; and that it shall be the duty of the Speaker to call and adjourn the House at the hours specified above, unless otherwise ordered by the House, upon special motion.

Mr. Galbreath moved

To lay the subject on the table.

Upon which motion, Mr. Dunnington demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Burch, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, DeWitt, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Hatton, Kimble, Kinney, Massengill, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Smith, Stovall, Wallace, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wilson of Carroll, and Wood of Cannon—36.

Noes—Messrs. Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cook, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Harris, Holmes, Little, Looney, Mabry, Mathis, Myatt, Parks, Runnels, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—30.

The motion prevailed, and the resolution and amendments were laid on the table.

Resolution, No. 57, was taken up, and by leave, Mr. Looney withdrew the same.

Resolution, No. 58, in regard to proposed amendments to the State Constitution, was taken up.

Mr. Ball offered an amendment, as follows :

Be it further Resolved, That that the Constitution of this State be so amended that hereafter the Legislature may continue in session for the space of one hundred days, and no longer ; and shall be allowed such per diem pay as shall be from time to time settled upon and fixed by the Legislature, according to existing laws on

that subject. Provided, however, that if the necessary business of the Legislature should require, the Legislature may continue in session for the space of twenty days longer, and shall be allowed the sum of two dollars per day for each day they may continue in session over one hundred days.

Mr. Snodgrass offered an amendment, as follows :

Be it further Resolved, That the Constitution of the State of Tennessee, be so amended that the Legislature only meet once in every four years, unless expressly called to convene by the Governor.

Mr. Tipton offered an amendment, as follows :

Be it further Resolved, That the Constitution shall be so amended that members of the Legislature, who are sick or absent, shall have the right to vote by proxy.

Mr. Nixon moved

To refer the resolution and amendments to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Carmichael offered an amendment, as follows :

Be it further Resolved, That the sessions of the Legislature, under this act, shall not hold for a longer time than sixty days at any one time.

The motion to refer the original resolution and amendments to the Judiciary Committee, was rejected.

Mr. Meek moved

The indefinite postponement of the original resolution.

Upon which motion Mr. Dunnington demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Campbell, Cavitt, Cobb, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Easterly, Fort, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—46.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Carmichael, Cloud, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Shemwell, Smith, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—24.

The resolution was indefinitely postponed.

Resolution, No. 29, in relation to the naval retired list, and the increase of the navy, was taken up.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, moved

To make the resolutions the special order of the day for 11 o'clock, Wednesday morning, the 21st inst ;

Which motion failed.

Mr. Galbreath moved

That the further consideration of the resolutions be suspended for the present ;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Galbreath,
Bill, No. 129, to establish a Chancery Court at Cooksville,
Was taken up and passed third reading.

Mr. Newman moved

That the bill be immediately transmitted to the Senate ;
Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Travis,

Senate Bill, No. 54, to amend an act passed 11th February, 1852,
chapter 151, entitled An act to establish a system of Internal Im-
provements in this State,

Was taken up.

Mr. Travis moved

To refer the bill and amendments proposed by the Senate, to the
Committee on Internal Improvements ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Cook obtained leave to withdraw Resolution, No. 43, for
amendment.

House Bill, No. 39, to change the name of Sampson Stewart,

Was taken up, and the Senate's amendment concurred in.

Leave of absence was extended Mr. Nixon until Wednesday
morning.

Mr. Parks returned House Bill, No. 71, to provide for the ap-
pointment of deputies.

House, Bill, No. 96, To incorporate the County of Cumberland,
Was taken up.

The House receded from its non concurrence to a part of Senate
amendment.

On motion of Mr. Brown, of Madison,

Resolution, No. 70, in relation to the Pacific Railroad,
Was taken up and adopted.

Mr. Cook moved

To adjourn till Monday morning, 10 o'clock, to enable various
Committees to examine the many bills which had accumulated on
their hands.

Mr. Travis demanded the ayes and noes.

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Ca-
vitt, Cloud, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Donelson, Fort, Galbreath, Galla-
way, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Nixon,
Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Rudd, Temple, Thomas,
Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, Whiteside, Wood of Can-
non, and Mr. Speaker Brown—37.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch,
Campbell, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Davie, Dortch, Gil-
bert, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Mathis, Myatt, Newman,
Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Travis, Wallace, White, Wil-
son of Carroll, and Wilson of Marshall—29.

Mr. Donelson asked leave of absence for Mr. Shemwell;
Which was granted.

The House then adjourned.

MONDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 19, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Brien presented a petition from certain citizens of Warren county, praying for a donation to Hamner High School ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Education and Common Schools.

Also, a petition from citizens of Cannon county, praying to be attached to DeKalb county.

Also, introduced Bill, No. 299, To change the line between the counties of Cannon and DeKalb ;

Which passed first reading, and the bill and petition were referred to the Committee on New Counties and County Lines.

Mr. Brien, from the Committee on Judiciary, reported as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Judiciary Committee have had sundry bills and resolutions under consideration, and direct me to report :

Senate Bill, No. 314, To secure to widows, dower in certain cases ;

House Bills, No. 238, To require the sale of land and slaves in certain cases to be advertised in newspapers ;

No. 266, For the relief of certain heirs and devisees ;

No. 276, Prescribing the mode of proving accounts on the trial before a Justice of the Peace ;

No. 288, To exempt additional property from execution, and recommend the passage of the same, (as indicated on each bill ;)

No. 23, To allow interchange by Judges and Chancellors ;

The Committee recommend that the House non-concur with the Senate's amendment, and that said bill be sent back to the Senate as it originally passed this House.

No. 248, To authorize grand jurors to send for witnesses in cases of disturbing public worship.

The Committee recommend said bill be amended so as to apply to all misdemeanors, and, with this amendment, pass, as indicated on the back of said bill.

Resolution, No. 65, Directory to the Secretary to purchase and supply certain officers with copies of Caruthers & Nicholson ;

The Committee recommend that said resolution be rejected. Neither do the Committee think it desirable to report a bill for that purpose.

Senate's Bill, No. 52, For the benefit of mechanics ;

House Bills, No. 89, To compel prosecutors in misdemeanors to give security or pauperize.

No. 135, For the benefit of administrators and executors ;

" 137, To regulate the fees of administrators and executors ;

" 161, To further protect widows and children ;

" 170, For the benefit of constables.

" 166, For the benefit of Sheriffs ;

- Bill, 180, For the benefit of runaway slaves and jailors ;
 “ 193, To facilitate the taking of depositions ;
 “ 196, To amend the divorce laws ;
 “ 215, To authorize Justices of the Peace to issue supœnas ;
 “ 216, To carry into effect the intentions of testators ;
 “ 219, To require all Justices of the Peace to keep a record ;
 “ 229, To prevent debtors from defrauding creditors ;
 “ 230, To compel the attendance of witnesses in certain cases ;
 “ 244, For the benefit of stayors in certain cases ;
 “ 231, To amend the proceedings in collecting debts ;
 “ 251, For the benefit of revenue collectors ;
 “ 264, For the relief of Thomas S. Petway ;
 “ 265, To repeal the 1st and 2d sec., ch. 9, of the act of 1843 ;
 “ 269, To change the time of holding the Supreme Court at Jackson ;
 “ 240, To repeal the homestead law ;
 “ 280, To protect church members ;

All of which the Committee recommend be rejected, and respectfully submit the same, and ask the concurrence of this House.

The Committee have also indicated their action on the back of each bill.

M. M. BRIEN, Chairman.

November 17, 1853.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, from the Committee on Internal Improvements, reported as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom sundry bills were referred, have had the same under consideration, and directed me to make the following report and recommendations, to wit :

Senate Bill, No. 54, A bill to amend an act passed 11th February, 1852, ch. 15, entitled An act to establish a system of Internal Improvements in this State.

The Committee recommend a non-concurrence in the amendment of the Senate to the amendment of the House to said bill.

Bill, No. 288, A bill to charter the Strawberry Plains and Sevierville Turnpike Company.

The Committee recommend that this bill be amended by striking out the 3d, 4th, and 5th sections of said bill, and by adding the following proviso to the 2d section of said bill, and that it pass when amended : Provided, that nothing in this bill shall grant, or be construed to grant, State aid to said company, in any manner whatever.

Bill, No. 282, A bill to be entitled An act to prescribe the duty of the County Court of Davidson, in disposing of the sinking fund of said county, ordered to pay railroad stock.

The Committee recommend the passage of this bill.

Bill, No. 278, A bill to amend an act to amend the Internal Improvement acts.

The Committee recommend the passage of this bill.

Bill, No. 284, A bill to be entitled

An act to charter the Knoxville Bridge Company.

The committee recommend the passage of this bill.

Bill, No. 286, A bill for the benefit of the Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company.

The committee recommend the following amendment to said bill:

Provided, That the State shall have a prior lien on said road, stock, machinery, franchises, and fixtures, the amount of said bonds and interest thereon, as is retained by said State, under said acts and the several acts in force on that subject, or is now held by said State on said road for bonds heretofore issued, in preference to all others whatever; and that said bill, with this amendment, do pass.

Bill, No. 296, to charter the Tennessee and Columbus Railroad.

The committee recommend the rejection of said bill.

All which is respectfully submitted.

H. BROWN,
Chairman.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that Bill, 172, to extend the time for receiving State aid by the Louisville and Nashville Railroad, was correctly engrossed.

Also, House Resolution, No. 54, declaring the sense of the General Assembly, as to the proper use of the \$1,000 derived from the State, for the East Tennessee Division Fair, for 1854, correctly engrossed.

Also, that Bill, No. 31, giving Presley Carden further time to complete his turnpike road, was correctly engrossed.

Mr. White, from the Committee on New Counties and County Lines, reported on Bill, No. 192, to prevent frauds in the formation of new counties, and recommended its passage.

On Bill, No. 227, to amend the act of 1853-4, chap. 181, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Northcutt asked and obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 227, for amendment.

Mr. Davie, from the Committee on Banks, reported on Bill, No. 290, to suppress the circulation of Bank notes of a less denomination than five dollars, payable without the State, and recommended its rejection.

Also, on Senate Resolution, No. 39, appointing Commissioners to investigate the Bank of Tennessee and its Branches, recommending certain amendments, and the adoption of the Resolution as amended.

Mr. Holmes introduced Bill, No. 300, to amend the Internal Improvement law of this State, passed 8th February, 1854, and for other purposes;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Dortch returned Bill, No. 205, to amend an act entitled
An act to establish a State Agricultural Bureau, &c., and for
other purposes ;

Which, on motion, was re-referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures, together with a bill in lieu.

Mr. Meek offered a Resolution, No. 90, as follows :

Whereas, A firm reliance on, and implicit trust in the All-wise Ruler and Disposer of the events and destinies of Nations and States, is, at all times, fit and becoming a Christian nation and State, and characteristic of an enlightened people ;

And, whereas, The custom, from the days of the Puritan Fathers to the present time, has obtained and received the universal sanction of setting apart, annually, a day of general thanksgiving ; and whereas, General prosperity, peace, health, and the bounty of an abundant harvest, are the rich blessings and heritage of our State ; and whereas, some day in the present month, (November,) has most usually been set apart by the Executive of most of the States of this Union, for the observance of such day ; therefore,

Be it resolved, That a committee of three be appointed by this House, to wait on His Excellency Andrew Johnson, Governor of the State of Tennessee, and learn his pleasure, and request him to appoint some suitable day to be observed as a day of General Thansgiving throughout this State.

Mr. Meek moved

That the rule be suspended ;

Which motion failed.

Mr. Bartlett introduced Bill, No. 301, to secure public records ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Newman introduced Bill, No. 302, to elect the Comptroller of the Treasury by the people ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Travis introduced Bill, No. 303, to purchase the Hermitage, and to establish an Agricultural and Military School ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures.

Mr. Fielder introduced Bill, No. 304, making an appropriation for the improvement of the navigation of the Forked Deer River ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Easterly entered a motion to reconsider the vote rejecting Resolution, No. 88.

Mr. Brien moved

To take up Bill, No. 295, to incorporate the Ritchie Printing and Publishing Company, of the city of Nashville ;

Which motion failed.

Mr. Parks moved

To take up Senate Resolution, No. 39, appointing Commissioners to investigate the Bank of Tennessee and its Branches ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Newman moved

The indefinite postponement of the resolution ;

Upon which motion, Mr. Looney demanded the ayes and noes ;

Which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Bullen, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Mathis, Newman, Northcutt, Pope, Smith, Travis, and Wood of Harde-
man—11.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Campbell, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—57.

The motion failed.

Mr. Parks moved

To concur in the the first two amendments proposed by the Committee.

Mr. Colquet moved

To strike out the name of John Rogers, and insert T. M. Arm-
strong ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Fielder moved

To non-concur in the second amendment proposed by the Com-
mittee ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Stovall moved

To non-concur in the third amendment proposed by the Com-
mittee ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Gleaves moved

That the House concur in the fourth amendment proposed by the
Committee ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Parks moved

A non-concurrence in the fifth amendment ;

Which motion failed.

The amendment was then concurred in.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To amend by striking out all the names of Commissioners, and
appoint two members of the Legislature for each Branch, and a
Committee of three to investigate the mother Bank.

Mr. Stovall moved

To lay the amendment on the table ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Tipton moved

To strike out the Commissioners named, and insert in lieu of

them, Sam. Fain, of Jefferson, Jas. H. Vance, of Hawkins, and Wm. D. Bleoins, of Sullivan, as Commissioners of Branch at Rogersville ;

Which motion prevailed.

• Mr. Newman moved

To strike out F. A. Loughmiller and insert in lieu W. W. Brazelton ;

Which motion prevailed.

• Mr. Galbreath moved

• To strike out H. L. Carrick, and insert in lieu Hallan Denton ;

• Which motion failed.

• Mr. Pope moved

To add Isaac Robertson, of Bledsoe, to the Commissioners appointed for the Bank at Sparta ;

Which motion failed.

Mr. Gilbert moved

To strike out ——— McDearman, and insert in lieu James W. Davidson, of Benton county.

Mr. Looney called the previous question.

The call was sustained.

On the adoption of the resolution, the ayes and noes were demanded, and were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Colquet, Cook, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, and Wilson of Carroll—41.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Easterly, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mathis, Newman, Northcutt, Pope, Smith, Travis, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—27.

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Dunnington entered a motion to reconsider the vote just taken.

Mr. Parks moved

To take up the motion of Mr. Dunnington.

On motion of Mr. Cavitt,

The House adjourned till 2½ o'clock, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Cavitt,

The House suspended the regular business.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To print 750 copies of the Law Reform Bill ;

The motion failed.

Mr. Cowden moved

That 300 copies of said bill be printed ;

The motion prevailed.

The unfinished business of the morning was taken up.

The motion of Mr. Parks to take up Mr. Dunnington's motion to reconsider, prevailed.

On the motion to reconsider,

Mr. Parks called for the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Cowden, Cox, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Mathis, Myatt, Northcutt, Pope, Runnels, Smith, Stovall, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—42—.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Campbell, Colquet, Cook, Davie, Dortch, Gleaves, Looney, Massengill, Meek, Newman, Parks, Pogue, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Thomas, Wallace, Ward, and Wilson of Carroll—23.

The motion prevailed, and the vote was reconsidered.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, moved

To amend the resolution by striking out the two last named Commissioners at each branch.

Mr. Tipton moved

To strike out all the Commissioners and insert one Commissioner, to be chosen from the counties in which the branches are situated.

Mr. Parks asked for a division of the question.

Upon the question to strike out all the Commissioners named,

Mr. Parks demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Bobo, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cobb, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Pope, Runnels, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—46.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Campbell, Cloud, Colquet, Cook, Davie, Dortch, Gleaves, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Taylor, Thomas, Wallace, Ward, White, and Wilson of Carroll—21.

The motion to strike out, prevailed.

Mr. Galbreath offered to amend,

By inserting the names of the President and Cashiers of each bank, and that they answer on oath to the investigations contained in the resolution, and report to this General Assembly by the 20th of December next ;

But withdrew it.

Mr. Cavitt offered an amendment, providing for the appointment of one Commissioner and one member of the General Assembly, to discharge the duties provided in the resolution, the same to be appointed by the Speaker of the House.

Mr. Parks moved

To strike out that part of Mr. Cavitt's amendment, providing for the appointment of Members of the Legislature.

Mr. Feilder moved,

That one out of every two Commissioners should be chosen from the two parties.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, moved

To lay Mr. Fielder's motion on the table ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Dunnington moved

That the Speaker appoint the Commissioners.

Mr. Newman moved

To lay the motion of Mr. Dunnington on the table ;

Which motion prevailed.

The remainder of Mr. Tipton's motion, providing for the appointment of one Commissioner in each county where the branches are situated,

Being then submitted to the House, prevailed.

Mr. Runnels moved

To lay the subject on the table until to-morrow, 11 o'clock,

A. M. ;

Which motion failed.

As Commissioners of Branch at Athens,

Mr. Cobb suggested John F. Slover, of McMinn.

Mr. Welcker suggested R. N. McEwen.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, moved

The indefinite postponement of the resolution ;

Upon which motion, Mr. Parks demanded the ayes and noes.

Ayes—Messrs. Brien, Burch, Cavitt, Colquet, Donelson, Easterly, Galbreath, Gallaway, Mathis, Newman, Northcutt, Pope, Smith, Wallace, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman—17.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels Rudd, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton,

Tompkins, Travis, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—51.

The House refused to indefinitely postpone the resolution.

The resolution was then amended by inserting John F. Slover, as Commissioner at Athens.

On motion of Mr. Tipton,

James H. Vance was inserted as a Commissioner, at Rogersville.

At Sparta: Mr. Snodgrass suggested H. L. Carrick.

Mr. Colquet suggested Thos. B. Murry.

Mr. Carrick was chosen by the House.

At Shelbyville: Mr. Little suggested Montgomery Caldwell.

Mr. Newman suggested John H. O'Neal.

Mr. Caldwell was chosen by the House.

At Columbia: Mr. Looney suggested W. J. Dale.

Mr. Dale was chosen by the House.

At Sommerville: Jno. C. Cooper was chosen, on motion of Mr. Taylor.

At Trenton: Mr. Gilbert suggested A. B. Christian.

Mr. Parks suggested J. A. McDearman.

Mr. Christian was chosen by the House.

At Clarksville: Mr. Davie suggested Jas. L. Glenn.

Mr. Cavitt suggested G. G. Poindexter.

Mr. Glenn was chosen by the House.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, moved

That the Committees of the two Houses on Banks be directed to investigate the mother Bank, at Nashville, in place of the Commissioners named in the resolution for that purpose;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Looney,

The House adjourned till to-morrow morning, 9½ o'clock.

TUESDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 20, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Bobo presented a Petition from citizens of Lincoln county, in relation to merchants' tax;

Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, a similar Petition from the citizens of Hardeman county;

Which was referred to the same committee.

Mr. Holmes presented a Memorial from citizens of Shelby county, in relation to a modification of the revenue laws in regard to merchants' tax ;

Which was referred to the same committee.

Mr. Colburn presented a Petition in relation to merchants' tax, from the citizens of Blount county ;

Which was referred to the same committee.

The Speaker read to the House a communication from the lady managers of the Orphan Asylum.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that Bill, No. 129, to establish a Chancery Court at Cooksville, in Putnam county, and

Resolution, No. 70, instructing our Senators and requesting our Representatives in Congress to favor, so far as it may be in their power, the Southern Pacific Railroad route through Texas,

Were correctly engrossed.

Mr. White, from the Committee on New Counties and County Lines, reported on Bill, No. 202, to establish the county of Crockett, and recommended its passage, with an amendment proposed by the Committee.

Mr. Colquet introduced Bill, No. 305, to amend an act entitled An act to charter the Southwestern Railroad Company, and for other purposes, passed January 31, 1852 ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Ward introduced Bill, No. 306,

To provide for the election of a Justice of the Peace in the town of Rome.

Passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, introduced Bill, No. 307,

Requiring Justices to close trust deeds and make settlement ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Pogue introduced Bill, No. 308,

To amend an act entitled An act to amend the Revenue Laws of this State.

Passed first reading.

Mr. Ward returned Bill, No. 201, and a bill in lieu.

Mr. Northcutt returned Bill, No. 227, and a bill in lieu, also accompanied by a petition.

Mr. Holmes introduced Bill, No. 309,

To amend the Revenue Laws of this State.

Passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the following acts were correctly enrolled, viz :

An act to amend an act entitled An act to amend an act passed

11th February, 1852, entitled An act to establish a system of Internal Improvements in this State, passed February 8, 1854 ;

An act to amend an act entitled An act to incorporate the Mississippi Central and Tennessee Railroad Company ;

An act to change the name of Sampson Stewart.

An act repealing all laws incorporating the town of Columbus, in Polk County, Tennessee ;

An act to incorporate the Memphis Cotton Mills.

Mr. Welcker introduced Bill, No. 310,

To amend the charter of the South Carolina, Tennessee and Kentucky Railroad Company.

Passed first reading.

Mr. Pope introduced Bill, No. 311,

To repeal an act to establish a system of Common Schools in this State, passed February 28, 1854.

Passed first reading, and referred to the Committee on Education and Common Schools.

Mr. Ball introduced Bill, No. 312,

To amend the Small Offence Law.

Passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Welcker,

Bill, No. 160, was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Ward introduced Bill, No. 313,

To amend an act entitled An act for the benefit of the wives and widows of the soldiers of the Mexican war.

The unfinished business was taken up.

Mr. Parks moved

That the House reconsider the vote filling the blank with one Commissioner ;

Upon which motion Mr. Meek demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazelton, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colburn, Donelson, Easterly, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Hatton, Kinble, Kinney, Mabry, Mathis, Newman, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Runnels, Smith, Tompkins, Wallace, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon—31.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Colquet, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Gilbert, Gleaves, Holmes, Little, Looney, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Pogue, Snodgrass, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Travis, Ward, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—35.

The motion to reconsider failed.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, moved to strike out “\$3,600,” and insert in lieu “\$1,200.”

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Snodgrass moved to strike out “20th.”

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Cavitt moved to insert "15th ;"

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Parks moved to strike out the words, "or a majority of them," and insert after the word "Commissioners" the words, "and the Committee on Banks."

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, offered a resolution in lieu of the original.

Mr. Gleaves moved

To lay the resolution offered in lieu on the table.

The motion failed.

Mr. Algee moved its indefinite postponement.

Mr. Gleaves called for the previous question.

The call was sustained.

On the passage of the resolution Mr. Carmichael demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Cavitt, Campbell, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Galloway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Pogue, Rudd. Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—44.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Cowden, Donelson, Easterly, Galbreath, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mathis, Newman, Northcutt, Pope, Runnels, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, White, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—23.

The resolution, as amended, was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Davie,

The rule was suspended, and the resolution ordered to be transmitted at once to the Senate.

Mr. Smith introduced Bill, No. 314,

To regulate the rate of interest on specific contracts.

Passed first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Cook introduced Resolution, No. 91, as follows :

Be it resolved, by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That the Secretary of State be authorized to purchase coal for the use of the Capitol, in such quantities as he may think fit.

The rule was suspended.

Mr. Cavitt moved to amend, by providing that the coal thus purchased shall be used only by the two Houses of the Legislature, and their officers.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Dunnington moved

That the resolution be referred to the Committee on the Capitol;

Which motion failed.

Mr. Harris moved to amend, as follows :

Resolved, That the fire in the flue be dispensed with, and that the stoves be used in its place.

Mr. Dunnington moved

To amend, so that all officers of the State, having offices in the Capitol, shall pay for the gas they use.

Mr. Smith moved

To lay the subject on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. White introduced Bill, No. 315, for the relief of Francis W. Strickland ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on the Capitol.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has passed, on its third reading, House Bill, No. 37, entitled

A bill to repeal the first section of an act passed 20th February, 1854, entitled An act prescribing the duties of Register, and for other purposes ;

And the same is herewith transmitted for enrollment.

The Senate has also passed, on their third reading, Senate Bills with the following titles, to-wit :

No. 61, to charter the Independent Order of Odd Fellows' Female College, at Paris ;

No. 55, authorizing the transfer of suits in Chancery, between citizens of Meigs county, from the courts at Athens, Cleveland, and Harrison, to the court at Decatur ;

No. 74, to empower Constables to swear jurors of view.

The Senate has also adopted Senate joint Resolution, No. 44, directory to the Commissioners of the State Capitol.

And the same are herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives.

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled act, giving Presley Carden further time to complete his turnpike road ;

And the same has been deposited with the Secretary of State.

The Senate has also adopted, with an amendment, House Resolution, No. 34, directory to the Attorney General and Reporter of the State, in relation to the constitutionality of certain Bank charters ;

And the same is herewith transmitted for the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Massengill moved

To take up Bill, No. 190, giving the Blountsville, Middletown, and Elizabethton Turnpike Company further time to build their road ;

Which prevailed.

Mr. Harris offered an amendment, that the Washington County and Walnut Mountain Turnpike Company is hereby revived, and that said company have the further time of two years to complete their road ;

Which was adopted,
 And the bill, as amended, passed second reading.
 On motion of Mr. Cook,
 Bill, No. 261, to incorporate the Tennessee Female College,
 Was taken up.
 The bill passed its second reading.
 On motion of Mr. Runnels,
 Bills, Nos. 124 and 179, were referred to the Committee on Education and Common Schools.
 On motion of Mr. Mabry,
 The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.
 Mr. Temple introduced Bill, No. 316, to incorporate the Agents of the Methodist Book Concern, South;
 Which passed first reading.
 On motion of Mr. Dunnington,
 Bill, No. 171, to amend an act to incorporate the town of Williamsport, in Maury county.
 The bill passed its second reading.
 Bill, No. 71, to provide for the appointment of deputies,
 Was taken up.
 Mr. Cavitt moved
 The indefinite postponement of the bill;
 Which motion prevailed.
 House Bill, No. 76, to incorporate the McMinnville and Sparta Turnpike Company,
 Was taken up.
 Mr. Mabry moved
 To non-concur in the amendments proposed by the Committee on Internal Improvements.
 On the first amendment proposed, the House non-concurred.
 On the second amendment proposed, the House concurred.
 The bill passed its second reading.
 House Bill, No. 67, to suppress intemperance,
 Was taken up.
 Mr. Runnels moved
 That the bill be passed informally at present.

The motion prevailed.

House Bill, No. 77, to repeal, in part, the act of 1826, chap. 22.

Mr. Brien moved

A non-concurrence in the report of the Judiciary Committee, recommending the rejection of the bill.

The motion prevailed, and the bill passed second reading.

Bill, No. 79, to change the pay of witnesses attending the Circuit Courts of this State.

The report of the Judiciary Committee, recommending the rejection of the bill, was concurred in, and the bill was rejected.

Bill, No. 36, to prescribe the duties of Magistrates, and to provide for their compensation.

Mr. Tipton moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

Mr. Meek demanded the ayes and noes;

Which were as follows, viz:

Ayes—Messrs. Bobo, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Runnels, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—40.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Cook, Davie, Dortch, Fielder, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Thomas, Travis, Wallace, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—27.

The bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Dunnington offered Resolution, No. 91, as follows:

Resolved, That the Committee on Judiciary be requested to examine and report to this House, as to the propriety of changing the present County Court system of this State; and if, in their judgment, the same should be advisable, that they report a bill to that effect, at the earliest practicable time.

The rule was suspended, and the resolution adopted.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform the House of Representatives, forthwith, that the Senate non-concurs in House amendments to Senate Resolution, No. 39, appointing Commissioners to investigate the condition of the Bank of Tennessee and Branches.

House Bill, No. 82, to amend the act of 1817, chapter 54, sections 1 and 2, and the act of 1823, chapter 21, section 1, and the act of 1835, chapter, 17, section 4, regulating motions against Constables and their securities,

Was taken up, and
Mr. Galbreath moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill; but withdrew the motion.

The amendments proposed by the Judiciary Committee were concurred in.

Mr. Burch moved

To amend by striking out the words "run off," "or is out of his county ;"

Which motion prevailed.

The bill then passed its second reading.

Bill, No. 84, to amend the practice in the Chancery Courts,

Was taken up.

The recommendation of the Judiciary Committee was concurred in, and the bill passed second reading.

House Bill, in lieu of Bills, Nos. 85 and 87, to establish a conventional interest.

Mr. White moved

That the bill be laid on the table ; and that one hundred and fifty copies be printed.

Mr. White withdrew the motion.

The bill in lieu was then adopted.

Mr. White then renewed his motion to print. ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Tipton moved

To take up Resolution, No. 90, in regard to appointing a thanksgiving day.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Massengill moved

That the House adjourn untill to-morrow morning, 9½ o'clock ;

Which motion failed.

Mr. Bullen moved

That the House adjourn till to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

The motion prevailed, and the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 21, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Kimble presented a petition from sundry citizens of Decatur county praying permission to lay off another civil district.

Mr. Kimble introduced, Bill, No. 317,

To authorize another civil district in Decatur county ;
Which passed first reading.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that bills with the following titles, were correctly enrolled :

A bill to establish the County of Cumberland in this State.

A bill to repeal the first three sections of an act passed 20th February, 1854, entitled An act prescribing the duties of Registers, and for other purposes.

Mr. Hatton offered a Resolution, No. 93, directing the Clerk of this House to furnish the Treasury Clerk of the State Penitentiary with three hundred copies of the Report of the Commissioners and officers of that institution.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, moved

To amend by striking out "three hundred," and inserting "five hundred."

The rule was suspended.

The amendment was adopted, and the resolution, as amended, was adopted.

Mr. Tompkins introduced Bill, No. 318,

For the benefit of sureties and endorsers ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Ward offered a Resolution, No. 94, as follows :

Whereas, we believe the people of Tennessee acknowledge the existence, omniscience, and omnipotence of an Almighty God, whose power and wisdom should be invoked on all occasions ; and whereas, we believe it is the custom of all deliberative bodies in all civilized portions of the earth to call on the Allwise Ruler of the Universe to direct and protect them in their deliberations ; and whereas, we yield to no State in the Union, or nation of the earth, in our devotion to God ; therefore,

Resolved, That the committee appointed at the opening of the present session of the Legislature, to call upon and invite the ministers of the gospel, of this city, to attend and open our meetings with prayer, be directed to call again on said ministers, and request that they comply with the request formerly made.

The rule was suspended.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To amend by striking out "of this city."

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, moved

That "whereas" be struck out, and "amen" be added to the end of the preamble, and that the Clerk read the preamble, thus amended, every morning.

On motion of Mr. Bullen,

The resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. Newman introduced Bill, No. 319,

To change the office of State Librarian ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on the State Capitol.

Mr. Looney presented a petition from the President and Direc-

tors of the Tennessee and Alabama Railroad Company, praying for certain amendments to the charter of that Company.

Also, a Bill, No. 320, to amend the charter of the Tennessee and Alabama Railroad Company;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Colquet introduced Bill, No. 321,

Authorizing the Trustees of Overton county to pay out certain School funds originating from sale of lands, &c.

The bill passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Education and Common Schools.

Mr. Dunnington introduced Bill, No. 322,

To amend an act entitled An act to incorporate the Porter Fire Arm Company, passed February 20, 1854.

The bill passed first reading and was referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

The unfinished business of yesterday was taken up, being the Resolution, No. 90, appointing a committee to call on the Governor, and request him to appoint a day for thanksgiving.

Mr. Cavitt offered the following in lieu:

Resolved, That every member may fast or feast, and pray whenever it suits him.

Mr. Dunnington moved

That the subject be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Gleaves called for the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Cloud, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Newman, Northcutt, Pope, Shemwell, Smith, Travis, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardemas—23.

Noes.—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—42.

The motion failed

Mr. Galbreath offered an amendment, which was ruled out of order.

Mr. Dunnington called the previous question.

The call was sustained.

The question being submitted upon the passage of the resolution,

Mr. Gleaves demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—31.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb,

Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Pope, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman--34.

The resolution failed.

Mr. Runnels offered a Resolution, No. 95, as follows :

Whereas, the calling of the ayes and noes puts upon the Clerks much useless labor, and is a considerable expense to the State, therefore,

Resolved, That the ayes and noes be not called unless demanded by at least ten members. Provided, this shall not prevent the call on their third reading, or resolutions for the appropriation of money.

Mr. Runnels moved

That the rule be suspended.

The motion failed.

Mr. Ball introduced Bill, No. 323, Authorizing tax collectors to make titles to land by them sold for taxes.

The bill passed its first reading.

Leave of absence, until next Wednesday, was, on motion of Mr. Holmes, granted to Mr. Bartlett.

Mr. Hatton asked and obtained leave of absence.

The House then proceeded to the consideration of the order of the day, being the Resolution, No. 59, introduced by Mr. Brown, of Davidson, in relation to the Naval retired list, and for the benefit of Lieut. Maury.

Pending discussion on this question,

Mr. Dunnington moved

To adjourn till 2½ o'clock, P. M. ;

Which motion prevailed.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The discussion on the business pending when the House adjourned, was resumed and participated in by Mr. Brown, of Davidson, and Mr. Dunnington.

Mr. Dortch presented the Report of the Secretary of the State Agricultural Bureau ;

Which, on motion of Mr. Dortch, was laid on the table.

Mr. Dortch moved that 10,000 copies of the Report be printed.
 The motion was withdrawn.
 On motion of Mr. Gleaves,
 The House adjourned till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, MORNING, NOVEMBER 22, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Hatton asked and obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 178,
 A bill to establish a State Normal School.

Mr. Runnels asked and obtained leave to withdraw the Resolution, No. 95, dispensing with the call of the ayes and noes in certain cases.

Mr. Cavitt entered a motion to reconsider the vote adopting the bill in lieu of Bills, Nos. 85 and 87, To establish a conventional interest.

Mr. Meek offered a Resolution, No. 96, Instructing our Senators and requesting our Representatives to procure the amendment of the bounty land act of 3d of March, 1855, so as to extend the provisions of said act to the Tennessee Volunteer Companies of 1836;

Which was laid over under the rule.

Mr. Runnels entered a motion to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 36, Prescribing the duties of Magistrates, and providing for their compensation.

Mr. Dortch moved

To take up the Report of the Secretary of the Agricultural Bureau.

The motion prevailed.

And on the motion of Mr. Dortch,

It was referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures.

Mr. Parks moved

To suspend the regular order of business, in order to take up Senate Resolution, No. 39.

The motion failed.

Mr. Cook moved

To take up Bill, No. 261, To incorporate the Tennessee Female College.

The motion failed.

The House then proceeded to the unfinished business of yesterday, being Resolution, No. 59, in relation to the Naval retired list, &c.

Mr. Burch offered a series of resolutions in lieu of the original resolutions.

Mr. Nixon offered a resolution in lieu of the original resolutions. On the question of the adoption of the resolutions in lieu, offered by Mr. Burch, being submitted,

The House refused to adopt the resolutions of Mr. Burch in lieu.

The question as to the adoption of the resolution offered by Mr. Nixon, was submitted.

Mr. Nixon obtained leave to withdraw his resolution.

The question was then submitted upon the adoption of the original resolution.

Mr. Harris called for a division of the question.

Mr. Nixon moved

To strike out all, after the enacting clause, down to the third resolution.

Mr. Meek moved

To lay the motion of Mr. Nixon on the table ;

Upon which motion Mr. Galbreath called for the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cook, Davie, Dortch, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—28.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman—36.

The motion failed.

Mr. Tipton, pending the discussion on the question, moved

The indefinite postponement of the subject.

Mr. Tipton withdrew his motion.

Mr. Holmes moved

To amend the motion of Mr. Nixon, so that it would read, ^{and}

Strike out all, after the enacting clause, down to the 3d section, and insert in lieu of that part stricken out, the first two resolutions offered by Mr. Burch.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts with the following titles, and the same has been deposited with the Secretary of State :

An act to amend an act entitled An act to amend an act passed 11th February, 1852, entitled An act to establish a system of Internal Improvements in this State, passed 8th February, 1854 ;

An act to amend an act entitled An act to incorporate the Mississippi Central and Tennessee Railroad Company ;

An act to change the name of Sampson Stewart ;

An act repealing all laws incorporating the town of Columbus, in Polk county, Tennessee ;

An act to incorporate the Memphis Cotton Mills.

The Senate has passed on third and last reading, House Bill, No. 2, entitled A bill to be entitled An act to change the lines between DeKalb, Putnam and Cannon counties;

And has adopted House Resolution, No. 70, Instructing our Senators and requesting our Representatives in Congress to favor, so far as it may be in their power, the Southern and Pacific Railroad route through Texas ;

And the same are herewith transmitted for enrollment.

The Senate has also passed, on its third and last reading, House Bill, Nos. 46 and 184, entitled A bill to be entitled An act to amend the attachment laws of this State, with an amendment ;

And the same is herewith transmitted for the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has also adopted the following joint resolution, No. 46 :

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed upon the part of the Senate, to meet such committee as may be appointed by the House of Representatives, to examine the accounts of the Comptroller and Treasurer ; and that said committee examine and report as to the amount of dividends arising from the stock in the Union and Planters Banks, received by the Governor and Comptroller, under the act of 1853-4, ch. 44 ; and how the same has been disbursed.

And the Speaker of the Senate has appointed Messrs. Atkins, Johnson and Palmer said committee on the part of the Senate.

And the same is herewith transmitted for the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

I herewith transmit a memorial (No. 23) from citizens of Henry county, in regard to merchants' license.

On motion of Mr. Stovall,

The House adjourned till 3 o'clock, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Ward,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Brien until Wednesday next.

The House resumed the unfinished business of the morning, being the motion to strike out the first two sections of the resolution, and inserting in lieu thereof, the first two sections of the resolution offered in lieu by Mr. Burch.

Mr. Travis called for a division of the question, taking the sense of the House first on the proposition to strike out, and then upon the proposition to insert.

Mr. Dortch called for a division of the question, taking the sections in detail.

The question was submitted,

Shall the first clause of the first section, so far as the same refers to the repeal of the act of Congress in question, be stricken out?

The House sustained the motion to strike out.

The question was then submitted,

Shall the latter clause of the first section, relating to a modification of the act, be stricken out?

Upon which proposition Mr. Snodgrass called for the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colburn, Colquet, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon Northcutt, Pope, Rudd, Smith, Stovall, Travis, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman—34.

Noes.—Messrs. Bazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—30.

The House sustained the motion to strike out.

Upon the proposition to strike out the second section of the resolution, Mr. Welcker called for the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Rudd, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—34.

Noes—Messrs. Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Harris,

Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carrol, and Mr. Speaker Brown—31.

The House sustained the motion to strike out.

The question was then submitted,

Shall the first two resolutions, offered by Mr. Burch, be inserted in lieu of those stricken out.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

Mr. Cavitt withdrew his motion.

Mr. Burch called for a division of the question, giving the sense of the House on the resolutions separately.

Upon the question,

Shall the first resolution be inserted?

Mr. Tipton called for the ayes and noes,

Which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Fielder, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Harris, Holmes, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Temple Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Welcker, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—35.

Noes—Messrs. Bullen, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Smith, Travis, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—27.

The House sustained the motion to insert the first resolution.

The question was then submitted,

Shall the second resolution be inserted?

Upon which Mr. Travis called for the ayes and noes,

Which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Brazalton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Parks, Pogue Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Thomas, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Welcker, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—32.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Smith, Stovall, Travis, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of and Cannon, Wood of Harde, man—32.

The House refused to insert the second resolution.

Mr. Tipton called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

Upon the adoption of the resolution as amended,

Mr. Dortch called for the ayes and noes,

Which were as follows:

Ayes--Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carmichael, Cloud, Colquet, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Fielder, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—42.

Noes--Messrs. Brien, Bullen, Cavitt, Cobb, Colburn, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Nixon, Pope, Shemwell, Smith, Travis, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman—23.

The resolution was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Wood of Cannon,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Algee, on account of sickness.

On motion of Mr. Northcutt,

The House adjourned till 9½ o'clock, to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER, 23, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Cavitt from the Committee on Incorporations, reported on Bill, No. 322, and recommended its passage.

Mr. White, from Committee on New Counties and County Lines reported on Bill, No. 299, to change the line between DeKalb and Cannon counties, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Cook presented two Petitions from sundry citizens of Williamson county, praying for the establishment of a more efficient system of patrols;

Which were received and read.

Also, a bill, No. 324, to establish a system of patrols;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. Smith introduced Resolution, No. 97, as follows:

Whereas, much time has been consumed in this House, discussing resolutions in which the great mass of our people can feel but little interest; and whereas, the financial condition of the treasury indicate the necessity of economy in every department of our Government; and in view of these facts, this House has passed a resolution fixing the 24th day of December next, as a day of adjournment of both branches of this General Assembly;

Be it therefore Resolved, That hereafter no member shall occupy the time of this House for more than fifteen minutes in speaking on any subject at one time, nor more than once on the same subject, until all the members desiring to speak shall have spoken.

The resolution was laid over under the rule.

Mr. Cox introduced Bill, No. 325, for the benefit of Turnpike Roads;

Which was read first time, and referred the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Gilbert introduced Bill, No. 326, to extend the corporation limits of the town of Camden ;

Which was read first time and passed, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. Galbreath introduced Bill, No. 327, to secure the completion of the Flynn's Lick and Granville Turnpike Road ;

Which was read first time and passed, and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Speaker Brown presented a petition from Henry Creswell, of Marshall county, praying for a redress of grievances upon him, inflicted by the Shelbyville, Farmington, and Lewisburg Turnpike Road Company ;

Which was received and read.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, moved

To lay the petition on the table ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, introduced Resolution, No. 98, as follows :

Resolved by this General Assembly, That they will not grant the use of the Hall for any exhibition whatever, except such as the State is directly interested in.

On motion of Mr. Wilson, of Marshall,

The rule was suspended, and the resolution adopted.

Mr. Cox moved

To take up Senate Bill, No. 39, to reduce the number of Directors in the Branches of the Union Bank of the State of Tennessee ;

Which motion prevailed.

The bill was then read second time and passed.

Mr. Hatton introduced Bill, No. 328, to amend the laws in reference to the liabilities of Sheriffs ;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. Hatton introduced Bill, No. 329, to amend the law in reference to appeals from Courts of Chancery, in certain cases ;

Which was read first time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Hatton,

Senate messages were taken up.

Senate Resolution, No. 39, appointing Commissioners to investigate the condition of the Bank of Tennessee and Branches,

Was taken up.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, moved

That the House insist on its amendments ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Parks moved

To transmit immediately to the Senate, and acquaint that body with the action of this House.

Senate Resolution, No. 44, directory to the Commissioners of the State Capitol,

Was taken up and adopted.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

That the Speaker appoint a committee of three, on the part of the House, to discharge the duties prescribed in Senate Resolution, No. 44.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Holmes, Snodgrass, and Donelson, said committee.

Senate Bill, No. 55, authorizing the transfer of suits in chancery, between citizens of Meigs county, from the courts at Athens, Cleveland, and Harrison, to the court at Decatur,

Was taken up, read first time, and passed.

Senate Bill, No. 61, to charter the I. O. O. F. Female College, at Paris,

Was taken up, read first time, and passed.

Senate Bill, No. 74, to empower Constables to swear jurors of view,

Was taken up, read first time, and passed.

House Resolution, No. 34, directory to the Attorney General of the State, with amendments from the Senate,

Was taken up ;

And, on motion of Mr. Harris,

The Senate amendments were concurred in.

Senate Bill, No. 17, to change the mode of electing the Keeper of the Penitentiary,

Was taken up.

Mr. Nixon moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

Mr. Cavitt demanded the ayes and noes ;

Which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Runnels, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Tipton, Travis, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—42.

Noes—Messrs. Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Little, Parks, Pogue, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, and Wilson of Carroll—20.

The bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Bobo moved

A reconsideration of the vote indefinitely postponing the bill.

Upon the motion to reconsider, some debate ensuing,

Mr. Galbreath moved the previous question ;

Which motion was sustained by the House.

On the motion to reconsider, Mr. Tipton demanded the ayes and noes ;

Which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Cox, Dortch, Gleaves, Hatton, Little, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Temple, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—20.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colburn, Colquet, Cook, Cowden, Davie, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Rudd, Runnels, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tipton, Travis, Wallace, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—43.

The motion to reconsider failed.

A Message was received from the Senate, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts with the following titles, and the same have been deposited with the Secretary of State :

To establish the county of Cumberland in this State ;

To repeal the three first sections of an act, passed February 20, 1854, entitled

An act prescribing the duties of Registers, and for other purposes ;

The Senate has adopted Joint Resolution, No. 47, Directory to the Comptroller of the Treasury ;

Which has been engrossed, and is herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. Snodgrass,

The House adjourned till half-past 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Senate Bill, No. 18, To amend an act, entitled

An act to amend an act to establish a system of Internal Improvements in this State,

Passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Senate Bill, No. 19, To establish a Court of Common Law West of the Reel Foot Lake, in Obion county,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 53, To amend the charter of the Edgefield and Kentucky Railroad,

Passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Senate Bill, No. 56, Authorizing the election of additional Justices of the Peace in certain cases, and for other purposes,

Passed first reading and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

A memorial from traders and merchants of Henry county,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill in lieu of Bills, Nos. 46 and 104, To establish a conventional interest,

Was taken up.

Mr. Bartlett moved

Concurrence in Senate's amendment;

The motion prevailed.

Senate Resolution, No. 47, Directory to the Comptroller of the Treasury,

Was adopted.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate adheres to its non-concurrence in House amendments to Senate Resolution, No. 39, Appointing commissioners to investigate the Bank of Tennessee and Branches.

Mr. Parks moved

That the House recede from its amendments to Senate Resolution, No. 39.

Mr. Galbreath called for the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carmichael, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Fielder, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Looney, Meek, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—36.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Pope, Smith, Travis, Watkins, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—31.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Parks moved

That the Senate be informed of the action of the House immediately.

The motion prevailed.

House Bill, No. 86, To change the location of the Branch of the Bank of Tennessee from Sparta to McMinnville.

Mr. Mabry moved

A non-concurrence in the Report of the Committee on Banks recommending its rejection.

On the motion, Mr. Snodgrass demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Cavitt, Cloud, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Smith, Travis, Whiteside, and Wood of Cannon—19.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Holmes, Looney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—40.

The motion to non-concur failed.

The bill was rejected.

Bill, No. 89, the better to secure costs in proceedings for misdemeanors, was taken up.

The report of the Judiciary Committee, recommending its rejection, was non-concurred in.

Mr. Galbreath offered an amendment;

Which was rejected.

The bill passed second reading.

Mr. Welcker obtained leave to present a memorial from the East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad Company.

Also, a Bill, No. 330, to aid in constructing a railroad from Chattanooga to the East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad, in the direction of Knoxville.

The bill passed first reading, and, together with the memorial, was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Temple moved

That the House take recess of half an hour;

Which motion prevailed.

The House having been called to order,

On motion of Mr. Travis,

The House adjourned till 9½ o'clock, to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 24, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr Cavitt, from the Committee on Incorporations, reported, as follows :

On Bill, No. 183, to amend the charter of the city of Nashville, and recommended that the bill, as heretofore amended, do pass.

On Bill, No. 283, to incorporate the Synod of Nashville, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Donelson, from the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures, reported as follows :

On Bill, No. 205, to amend an act entitled An act to establish a State Agricultural Bureau.

The committee recommend a bill in lieu of said bill.

They further report on the Report of the Secretary of the Agricultural Bureau, and recommend the appointment of a joint select committee, to confer, and suggest the proper number of said Report necessary to be printed.

Mr. Dortch moved

To take up the report in relation to the Report of the Agricultural Bureau, and that said report be concurred in ;

Which motion prevailed.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Donelson, Dortch, and Wilson, of Marshall, said committee, on the part of the House.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that House Resolution, No. 70, instructing our Senators, and requesting our Representatives in Congress, to favor, so far as may be in their power, the Southern Pacific Railroad route through Texas, was correctly enrolled.

Mr. Travis from the Special Committee on Law Reform, reported Bill, No. 331,

To re-organize the Judicial System of Tennessee, and to reform the Code of Practice ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Davie introduced Bill, No. 332,

To amend and reduce into one the acts relating to the town of Clarksville.

Passed first reading, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. Pogue introduced Bill, No. 333,

Prescribing certain duties to be performed by the Register of the Land office, and for other purposes ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Mr. Donelson introduced Bill, No. 334,

To amend an act passed 21st February, 1852, chapter 154.

Passed first reading.

Mr. Dortch moved

That the action of the House in regard to the Report of the Secretary of the Agricultural Bureau, and said Report be transmitted immediately to the Senate.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Tipton introduced Bill, No. 335.

To change the time of holding the Chancery Court at Elizaheth-ton.

Passed first reading.

Mr. Bartlett introduced Bill, No. 336,

To amend the charter of the Memphis and Somerville Turnpike Company.

Passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. Harris offered a Resolution, No. 99, as follows:

Whereas, by the 7th section of an act passed on the 21st day of February, 1852, chapter 153, the different internal improvement companies of this State to whom the bonds of the State may be loaned under the various internal improvement laws, to pay the expense of engraving and preparing the bonds issued to said internal improvement companies; therefore,

Be it Resolved, That the Secretary of State report to this House the full amount paid out of the treasury for the engraving and preparing of said bonds as required by law, and also, the amount paid to the Secretary of State by all the companies which have applied for and received bonds; the amount and rates paid by each; also, the whole number of bonds that may be ordered.

And whereas, by an act passed on the 27th day of February, 1854, chapter 67, it was made the duty of the Register of the Mountain District, and Moses M. Swann, to transcribe into a well bound book, from the records of the Land Office at Nashville, all the grants there recorded, to lands lying within what is known as the Mountain District; and whereas, it was made the duty of the Secretary of State, upon application of the Registers aforesaid, to compare and certify the same as being correctly transcribed; therefore,

Be it Resolved, That the Secretary report to this House whether he compared the transcribed grants with the original book; and that he also report what amount of fees he charged for making such comparisons, and the laws authorizing him to make said charge for such services; and that he report to this House as early as practicable.

On motion of Mr. Harris,

The rule was suspended and the resolution adopted.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Ward, on motion of Mr. Looney.

Mr. Looney returned Bill, No. 268,

To repeal the act of 1842, chapter 35, section 1, and for other purposes;

Which, on motion of Mr. Looney, was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Gleaves offered a Resolution, No. 100, as follows :

Whereas, it is contemplated by the American Medical Association to hold its annual session, for the year 1857, in the city of Nashville ; and whereas there is no other building in the city suitable for the accommodation of said Association ; therefore,

Be it resolved by this General Assembly, that this Representative Hall be, and the same is hereby tendered to said Association for its use and accommodation during its sitting in this city.

The resolution was laid over under the rule.

On motion of Mr. Cavitt,

The House proceeded to the consideration of resolutions on the table.

Resolution, No. 61, directing the Clerk to prepare a written Calendar for the use of the House on each Monday morning.

Mr. Snodgrass offered a resolution in lieu, as follows :

Be it resolved, that the Clerk furnish this House with a printed Calendar of the business of this House on Monday morning next.

Mr. Pope moved to insert the word "every" before "Monday," and strike out the word "next."

The motion prevailed, and the resolution in lieu was adopted.

Resolution, No. 62, directory to our Senators, and requesting our Representatives in Congress, to procure the passage of an act allowing pensions to the officers and soldiers of the war of 1812, and subsequent wars of the country, &c.,

Was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has concurred in House Resolution, appointing a Committee to determine how many copies of the Report of the Secretary of the Agricultural Bureau shall be printed for distribution ;

And the Speaker has appointed Messrs. Caldwell and Dean such committee on the part of the Senate.

The House then resumed the consideration of Resolutions.

Resolution, No. 71,

Directory to Judiciary Committee, in relation to blending the offices of Trustee and Tax Collector ;

Which was laid on the table for the present.

Resolution, No. 71½,

To hold night sessions tri-weekly,

Was indefinitely postponed.

Resolution, No. 72,

In relation to withholding per diem pay of members in certain cases,

Was rejected.

Resolution, No. No. 73,

To furnish Hardin County with Statutes,

Was withdrawn.

Resolution. No. 75,

In relation to applying the profits of the Penitentiary, and fines for swearing, &c., to the Common School Fund,

Was rejected.

Resolution, No. 86,

Was withdrawn by Mr. Bullen.

Resolution, No. 87,

In relation to the manner of selecting a Public Printer,

Was withdrawn by Mr. Snodgrass.

Resolution, No. 96,

Instructing our Senators, and requesting our Representatives, to procure the amendment of the Bounty Land Act of 3d March, 1855, so as to extend the provisions of said act to the Tennessee volunteer companies of 1836,

Was adopted.

Resolution, No. 97,

In relation to certain orders of business,

Was indefinitely postponed, upon motion of Mr. Bobo.

On which motion Mr. Smith demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carlock, Cloud, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Fort, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Snodgrass, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Travis, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—41.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Donelson, Easterly, Fielder, Kinney, Mathis, Myatt, Parks, Shemwell, Smith, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, and Wood of Cannon—19.

Mr. Gleaves moved the suspension of the rule, in order to take up Resolution, No. 100,

Tendering the use of the Hall of Representatives to the American Medical Association ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Cowden moved to amend, by allowing the two political parties of this State to hold their annual State Conventions in the Representative Hall.

Mr. Gleaves moved the indefinite postponement of the amendment ;

Which motion prevailed.

Upon the adoption of the resolution, Mr. Bobo demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carlock, Cloud, Colquet, Colburn, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Meek, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—38.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cobb, Cowden, Donelson, Easterly, Gilbert, Harris, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Northcutt, Pope, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Wallace, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—24.

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Dortch introduced a Resolution, No. 101, Directory to the Comptroller of the Treasury.

The rule was suspended.

Mr. Dortch subsequently withdrew the resolution by leave of the House.

Mr. Ball introduced a Resolution, No. 102, as follows :

Resolved, That the Joint Select Committee on the State Capitol and Public Grounds be required to ascertain from the Commissioners of the State Capitol, or from the Keeper of the Penitentiary, the amount, as near as possible, of all the convict labor that has been used or employed in the construction of the State Capitol, either in or out of the said prison, and all other amounts, if any, that may have been expended thereupon, to the end that this General Assembly may be in possession of the entire cost of the Capitol, up to this time.

On motion of Mr. Ball,

The rule was suspended, and the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Davie asked and obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 54, To charter the Bank of America of Tennessee, for amendment.

Mr. Myatt entered a motion

To reconsider the vote adopting Resolution, No. 59, Instructing our Senators and requesting our Representatives in Congress to use all laudable means to procure an increase of the navy, &c.

On motion of Mr. Cox,

The House adjourned until Monday morning, 9½ o'clock.

MONDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 26, 1855.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that bills of the following numbers and titles were correctly enrolled, viz :

Bill, No. 2, To change the lines between DeKalb, Putnam and Cannon counties ;

Bill in lieu of Bills, Nos. 46 and 184 ;

An act to amend the attachment laws of this State ;

Also, Resolution, No. 34, Directory to the Attorney General of the State ;

Correctly enrolled.

Mr. Dortch, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Committee to whom were referred House Bills, Nos. 64 and 312, entitled, respectively, A bill to regulate the tax on slaves, and A bill to amend the small offence law, have had the same under consideration, and directed me to report them to the House, recommending their rejection.

WM. B. DORTCH, Chairman.

Mr. Cavitt, from the Committee on Incorporations, reported on Bill, No. 272, To amend the charter of the city of Nashville ;

And recommended that the 5th section be stricken out, and that a section reported by the Committee be inserted in lieu thereof; and that the 7th section be amended in manner as recommended by the Committee. With these amendments, they recommend the passage of the bill, except the 3rd section, which they ask to be referred to the House for its consideration.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, from the Committee on Internal Improvements, reported as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom sundry bills were referred, have had the same under consideration, and directed me to report the same back to the House, with the following recommendations, to wit :

Senate Bill, No. 53, To amend the charter of the Edgefield and Kentucky Railroad Company.

The Committee recommend that this bill pass.

Bill, No. 305, To amend an act entitled An act to charter the South Western Railroad Company, and for other purposes, passed January 31, 1852.

The Committee recommend that this bill pass.

Bill, No. 304, Making an appropriation for the improvement of the navigation of the Forked Deer River.

The Committee recommend that this bill be rejected.

Bill, No. 327, To secure the completion of the Flynn's Lick and Granville Turnpike Road.

The Committee recommend that this bill be rejected.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. BROWN, Chairman.

Mr. Bullen, from the Committee on Public Roads and Highways, reported on Bill, No. 153, To authorize Sarah A. Prock to open a turnpike road,

Recommending an additional section, and, thus amended, that the bill pass.

Mr. Nixon introduced Bill, No. 337, To transfer certain records, books and papers from the Secretary's office to the Land office ;

Which passed its first reading.

Mr. Holmes introduced Bill, No. 338, To charter the Memphis and Germantown Turnpike Company ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Wallace introduced Bill, No. 239, To establish a Chancery Court at Clinton, in Anderson county ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Senate Bill, No. 54, To amend an act passed 11th February, 1852, ch. 151, entitled An act to establish a system of Internal Improvements in this State,

Was, on motion of Mr. Davie, taken up.

Mr. Davie moved

A non-concurrence in the report of the Committee on Internal Improvements, recommending a non-concurrence in Senate's amendment.

After some debate, Mr. Travis called for the previous question.

The call was sustained.

The motion of Mr. Davie prevailed, and the amendment was concurred in.

Senate Bill, No. 39, To reduce the number of Directors in the Branches of the Union Bank of the State of Tennessee,

Passed third reading.

Senate Bill, No. 1, To amend the act incorporating the town of Winchester,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 4, To repeal third section of the act of 1853, chapter 72,

Was, on motion of Mr. Harris, referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Senate Bill, No. 5, To amend an act to authorize and regulate county subscriptions for railroad stock, passed 22d January, 1852,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 7, to incorporate the Winchester Building and Loan Association,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 12, for the benefit of *femes covert*,

Was, on motion of Mr. Looney, laid on the table for the present.

Senate Bill, No. 19, to establish a Court at Common Law west of the Reel Foot Lake, in Obion County,

Was taken up.

Mr. Tipton moved to strike out section seven, releasing the State tax for the year 1856, for the district of country included in the provisions of the bill.

Mr. Cavitt called for the previous question.

The House refused to sustain the call.

Mr. Snodgrass offered an amendment, releasing the State tax of the county of Cumberland for the year 1856, to enable it to build a court-house.

Mr. Mathis moved

To lay the amendment of Mr. Snodgrass on the table.

Mr. Carlock moved

To refer the bill and amendments to the Judiciary Committee.

The motion to refer failed.

The motion to lay Mr. Snodgrass's amendment on the table prevailed.

The motion to strike out the seventh section prevailed, and the bill passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Cook,

The House adjourned till 2½ o'clock this evening.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Senate Bill, No. 31½, to secure the widow her dower in certain cases,

Was taken up.

Mr. Cavitt moved its indefinite postponement.

The motion failed.

Mr. Looney moved a concurrence in the report of the Committee recommending its passage.

The motion prevailed, and the bill passed second reading.

Bill, No. 38, to amend an act entitled An act to declare the powers of the County Court in the administration of estates in certain particulars, passed February 22, 1852,

Was, on motion of Mr. Bullen, referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Senate Bill, No. 42, to amend the charter of the Shelbyville, Flat Creek, Mulberry, and Fayetteville Turnpike Company,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 47, to incorporate the Synod of West Tennessee,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 50, to amend the charter of the Hyde's Ferry Turnpike Company,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 52, for the benefit of mechanics

Was taken up.

Mr. Welcker moved its indefinite postponement, and called for the ayes and noes on the motion, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Cloud, Colburn, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Easterly, Fort, Little Meck, Nixon, Parks, Welcker, and Wilson of Marshall—17.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Carn

chael, Cobb, Colquet, Cook, Cowden, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Kimble, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Watkins, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—43.

The motion to indefinitely postpone failed.

Mr. White asked and obtained leave to withdraw the bill for amendment.

Senate Bill, No. 53, to amend the charter of the Edgefield and Kentucky Railroad Company,

Was taken up, report of Committee concurred in, and the bill passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 55, authorizing the transfer of suits in Chancery Courts, between citizens of Meigs county, from the Courts at Cleveland, Athens and Harrison, to the Court at Decatur,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 61, to charter the I. O. O. F. Female College at Paris,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 74, to empower Constables to swear jurors of view,

Passed second reading.

Mr. Cavitt obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 158,

To repeal all laws granting to courts the power to grant charters of incorporation to towns, companies, &c.

House Bill, No. 7, a bill in lieu of a bill to regulate subscriptions to railroad stock in the counties of Gibson, Haywood and Henry,

Was taken up.

Mr. Holmes moved its indefinite postponement.

The motion failed.

The bill passed third reading.

Bill, No. 4, to abolish military duty,

Was taken up.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, offered an amendment.

Ruled out of order by the Speaker.

Mr. Pope offered an amendment ;

Which was ruled out of order.

Mr. Snodgrass offered an amendment ;

Which was withdrawn.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, asked and obtained leave to withdraw the bill for amendment.

Mr. Pope asked leave of absence for Mr. Burch until Monday next ;

Which was granted.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Temple, on motion of Mr. Looney.

House Bill, No. 16, to regulate and establish uniform rules of costs, and for other purposes,

Was taken up.

Mr. Bullen moved to strike out the last section of the bill.

The motion prevailed.

The bill passed its third reading by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—60,

Noes—Messrs. Carmichael, Cobb, Galbreath, and Gallaway—4.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled act, entitled

An act to amend the charter of the Nashville and North-Western Railroad Company, and to transfer a portion of its State aid to the Memphis and Ohio Railroad Company.

The Senate has adopted Joint Resolution, No. 45, directory to the Secretary of State ;

And the same has been engrossed, and is herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives.

The Senate, has also passed, on third reading, Senate bills with the following numbers and titles, and the same are herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives :

Senate Bill, No. 75, A bill to authorize the Comptroller to appoint a deputy ;

Senate Bill, No. 60, A bill to increase the salary of the Attorney General and Reporter for the State ;

Senate Bill, No. 35, A bill to authorize the several courts of this State to adjudge costs, which have been omitted in taxing the costs ;

Senate Bill, No. 76, A bill to divide and equally apportion the Academy fund of Jefferson county, between Maury Academy and Dandridge Female Academy ;

Senate Bill, No. 79, A bill to amend an act entitled An act to incorporate the Nashville, Columbia, and Franklin Railroad Company ;

Senate Bill, No. 21, A bill to amend an act, passed February 25, 1854, to incorporate the Murfreesboro' and Liberty Turnpike Company.

The Senate also, this morning, passed the following Senate bills, on their third and last reading, and the same were ordered to be immediately transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives :

No. 87, directory to the Comptroller, for the benefit of the printers of the Senate and House of Representatives ;

No. 94, for the benefit of the Inspectors of the Penitentiary.

The Speaker of the Senate has appointed Messrs. Hall and Stokes, as the committee, on the part of the Senate, to act with the committee on the part of the House, to confer with the Commissioners of the State Capitol, and ascertain the amount of money likely to be required to complete said building.

On motion of Mr. Nixon,

Senate Bill, No. 87, directory to the Comptroller of the Treasury, for the benefit of the printers to the Senate and House of Representatives,

Was taken up, and passed first reading.

Mr. Watkins introduced Bill, No. 340, to incorporate the New Pulaski Cemetery ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. Nixon moved

To adjourn till 9½ o'clock, to-morrow morning.

The motion failed.

On motion of Mr. Pogue,

The House adjourned till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 27, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Cook presented a communication from C. H. Hines ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Also, a petition from citizens of Williamson county, in relation to taxing persons going to Church on turnpike roads ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. Colquet presented a memorial from citizens of Overton county, in regard to the sale of vinous and spirituous liquors ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Tippling and Tippling Houses.

Mr. Gilbert presented a petition from citizens of Camden, asking permission to elect another Justice of the Peace.

Also, a Bill, No. 341, authorizing the election of a Justice of the Peace in the town of Camden ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Cobb presented a petition from citizens of Polk county, praying for the removal of the Indians and mixed breeds in that county; Which was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Mr. Meek, from the Committee on Elections, reported on Bill, No. 214, to prevent frauds in elections, and recommended its rejection.

Mr. Cook, from the Committee on Tippling and Tippling Houses, reported on Bill, No. 56, to repeal the Tippling Laws, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Whiteside introduced Bill, No. 342, to amend an act entitled An act to incorporate the Western Central Turnpike Company, and for other purposes;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Carlock introduced Bill, No. 343, to authorize the election of a Justice of the Peace in the town of Calhoun, in McMinn county.

Passed first reading.

Mr. Hatton returned Bill, No. 178, to establish a State Normal School, with certain amendments.

Mr. Kimble introduced Bill, No. 344, to prescribe the manner of changing the title to land sold for public taxes;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Cavitt offered a Resolution, No. 103, in relation to the nullification of the Fugitive Slave Law by certain Northern States;

Which was laid over under the rule.

Mr. Hatton moved

That Bill, No. 178, To establish a State Normal School, be made the order of the day for Tuesday, December 4.

The motion failed.

Mr. White returned Senate Bill, No. 52, For the benefit of Mechanics, with an amendment.

Mr. Hatton introduced Bill, No. 345, Directory to the Inspectors and Keeper of the Penitentiary, as to the employment of convicts therein, and for other purposes;

Which passed first reading, and referred to the Committee on Penitentiary.

Mr. Cook introduced Bill, 364, To amend the laws in regard to Constables;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Myatt presented a petition from three hundred and seventeen citizens of Morgan county, praying an appropriation for the purpose of rendering Emery river navigable up to Montgomery, in said county.

Also, a Bill, No. 347, Appropriating \$5000 to make Emery river navigable;

Passed first reading.

Mr. Taylor introduced Bill, No. 348, To furnish certain civil districts in Tipton county with Statute books;

Passed first reading.

Mr. White moved

To take up Senate Bill, No. 52, For the benefit of Mechanics.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Newman moved

To lay the amendment of Mr. White on the table.

The motion was withdrawn.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, offered an amendment, providing that the mechanic may take the land or lot at the original bid of the vender, provided the vender will not pay for the improvement ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Tipton moved

To amend the title so that it will read, Bill to prevent poor men from owning land and creating lawyers' fees.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To strike out the enacting clause of the bill.

Mr. Dunnington called for the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mas-sengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Wallace, Watkins, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—50.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Bul-len, Cook, Cowden, Dunnington, Newman, Runnels, Taylor, Tompkins, Travis, White, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—15.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Looney moved

To take up Senate Bill, No. 87, Directory to the Comptroller of the Treasury for the benefit of the Printers to the Senate and House of Representatives.

The motion prevailed, and the bill passed second reading.

Mr. Dortch introduced Bill, No. 349, Providing for the purchase of permanent Fair Grounds, fixtures, &c., for the Biennial State Fair of the State of Tennessee, &c.;

Which passed first reading, and referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures.

House Bill, No. 27, To repeal the proviso of the third section of an act passed 10th February, 1854.

Passed third reading.

House Bill, No. 35, To repeal the act declaring the North Fork of Obion river navigable.

Mr. Stovall moved

To strike out the second section of the bill.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To lay the amendment, proposed by Mr. Stovall, on the table.

The motion failed.

And the motion to strike out the second section prevailed.

And the bill, as amended, passed third reading.
 On motion of Mr. Cox,
 The House adjourned till 2½ o'clock, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.
 On motion of Mr. Cobb,
 House Bill, No. 249, To incorporate the Mineral Railroad Company of East Tennessee, and for other purposes ;
 Was taken up.
 Mr. Harris moved
 As an amendment, to strike out so much of the bill as proposes to give State aid to said company.
 Mr. Mabry moved
 To lay the bill on the table for the present, on account of the absence of its author ;
 Which motion prevailed.
 On motion of Mr. Holmes,
 House Bill, No. 23, To allow interchange of Judges and Chancellors,
 Was taken up.
 Mr. Holmes moved
 That the House do not adopt the bill in lieu adopted by the Senate ;
 Which he withdrew.
 The House then non-concurred in the report of the Committee, and the Senate's amendment was adopted.
 A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts of the following titles, and the same have been deposited with the Secretary of State :

An act to change the line between the counties of DeKalb, Putnam and Cannon ;

An act to amend the attachment laws of the State ;

And Joint Resolution directory to the Attorney General of the State.

The Senate has adopted Joint Resolution, No. 48, instructing our Senators, and requesting our Representatives in Congress, to aid in

the passage of a law granting an appropriation from the National Treasury, or a donation of Public Lands to levee the Eastern bank of the Mississippi, from Hickman, in Kentucky, to the mouth of Wolfe river;

And the same has been engrossed, and is herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has rejected House Bill, No. 78, To amend the revenue laws of this State;

And has indefinitely postponed House Bill, No. 26, To amend the act of 1835, chapter 6, section 8, designating the appointment, pay, &c., of Jurors, and the same are herewith returned.

The Senate has passed on third reading House Bill, No. 129, entitled

A bill to establish a Chancery Court at Cookeville, in Putnam county, and the same is herewith transmitted for enrollment.

The Senate has also passed on third reading House Bill, No. 174, entitled

A bill to incorporate the Washington Fire Company, No. 6, in the city of Memphis, with an amendment, and the same is herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives.

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled resolution, Appointing Commissioners to investigate the condition of the Bank of Tennessee and branches;

And the same is herewith transmitted for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has passed on its third and last reading, Senate Bill, No. 42, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled An act to amend the Criminal Laws of this State, passed, February 28, 1852;

And the same is herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Cook moved

To take up Bill, No. 261, to incorporate the Tennessee Female College.

The motion failed.

House Bill, No. 38, to amend an act entitled An act to enable all persons charged with the assets of an estate, to have the evidence of payment by them perpetuated,

Passed third reading, by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Galloway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—64.

Noes—None.

Bill, No. 57, was informally passed over on account of the absence of the author.

House Bill, No. 60, to amend the act of 1851-2, chapter 151,

Passed its third reading, by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Fort, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Watkins, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—56.

Noes—Messrs. Bullen, Carmichael, Cobb, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Nixon, and Whiteside—8.

Bill, No. 66, Providing for the manner of holding elections in the city of Nashville,

Passed third reading.

Bill, No. 69, for the benefit of Jas. McGee,

Passed third reading, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colburn, Colquet, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—62.

Noes—Messrs. Ball and Bobo—2.

Mr. Newman moved

That the bill be transmitted immediately to the Senate ;

Which prevailed.

Mr. Bullen moved

That Bill, No. 38, be immediately transmitted ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Tipton moved

That Bill, No. 27, be immediately transmitted ;

Which motion prevailed

Mr. Cox moved

That Bill, No. 66, be immediately transmitted ;

Which motion prevailed.

House Bill, No. 76, to incorporate the McMinnville and Sparta Turnpike Road,

Was taken up.

Mr. Snodgrass offered to amend, by providing that this act shall

not interfere with the public road leading from Sparta to McMinnville.

Mr. Mabry moved

To lay the amendment on the table ;

Which motion prevailed.

And the bill passed third reading.

Bill, No. 77, to repeal, in part, the act of 1826, chapter 22,

Passed its third reading as follows ;

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Tompkins, Wallace, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—51.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Cavitt, Harris, Newman, Parks, Snodgrass, Tipton, and Travis—8.

Mr. Carlock moved

That the bill be transmitted at once to the Senate ;

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Mabry moved

That Bill, No. 76, be transmitted at once to the Senate ;

The motion prevailed.

Bill, No. 82, to amend the act of 1817, chapter 54, sections 1 and 2, and the act of 1823, chapter 21, section 1, and the act of 1855, chapter 17 section 4, regulating motions against Constables and their securities,

Was taken up.

Mr. Harris moved

That section 2 be stricken out ;

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Bullen moved

To strike out the words, "remove out of the State or ;"

The motion failed.

Mr. Dunnington offered an amendment, amending the act of 1829, chapter 35, so that Constables shall be entitled to 25 cents a day for keeping each horse, mule or jack ; for each head of cattle 6 cents ; for each hog or sheep, 2 cents ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Dunnington moved

To amend the title, by adding the words, "and providing for their pay in certain cases ;"

Which motion prevailed.

The bill was passed third reading, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cavitt, Cobb, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney,

Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—48.

Noes—Messrs. Bullen, Cloud, Colquet, Harris, Mabry, Newman, Nixon, and Northcutt—8.

Mr. Cox asked leave of absence for Mr. Little ;

Which was granted.

On motion of Mr. Thomas,

The House adjourned till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 28, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Ball presented a memorial from various commissioners of the road from Mulberry Gap to Rogersville, praying relief and an appropriation, &c., for services rendered ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Hatton presented a petition from citizens of Wilson county, in relation to free negroes bartering and peddling.

Also, a Bill, No. 349½, to prevent free persons of color from peddling and bartering ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Mabry asked leave of absence for Mr. Rudd ;

Which was granted.

Mr. Wallace presented a petition from citizens of Campbell county, to permit Wm. Ridenour to build a dam across Powell's River.

Also, a Bill, No. 350, to authorize Wm. Ridenour to erect a dam across a slue in Powell's River ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Holmes, from the Committee on the Capitol, reported on Bill, No. 117, to provide for the erection of statues of Gen. Washington, Gen. Jackson, James K. Polk, and Hu. Lawson White.

The Committee recommend that all names after that of James K. Polk be stricken out, and that the bill pass as thus amended.

Mr. Donelson, from the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures, reported on Bill, No. 249, to provide for the purchasing of

permanent fair grounds, and erecting necessary buildings and fixtures thereon, for the Biennial State Fair, and for other purposes, and recommended its passage.

Also, as follows, further, from the Joint Select Committee, to which was referred the documents composing the Report of the Secretary of the State Agricultural Bureau, to report the number of copies for publication, have had the same under consideration, and instruct me to report the number to be printed, ten thousand ; eight thousand to be placed in the hands of the Secretary of the State Agricultural Bureau, to be sent by him to some suitable person living in each of the civil districts in the counties of the State, for the use of all persons living in said districts, each member of the Legislature designating the name of the person and his post office ; one thousand copies for the use of the members of both Houses of this Legislature ; and one thousand copies to be retained by the Secretary of said Bureau, to be distributed to the County Societies in this State, and to Agricultural Societies or Associations and persons in other States.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

D. S. DONELSON,

Chairman of Committee on part of the House of Representatives.

The report was laid on the table

Mr. Cavitt, from the Committee on Incorporations, reported—

On Bill, No. 275, to charter the Shelbyville University of Tennessee Conference.

Bill, No. 277, to incorporate the Jackson Building and Loan Association.

Bill, No. 292, to incorporate the Watauga Bridge Company, and for other purposes.

Bill, No. 326, to extend the corporate limits of the town of Camden.

Bill, No. 336, to amend the charter of the Memphis and Somerville Turnpike Company.

Bill, No. 340, to incorporate the New Pulaski Cemetery ;

And recommend that they severally do pass.

Also, on Bill, No. 332, to amend an act, and reduce into one act, the various acts relative to the charter of the town of Clarksville ; and recommend that it be amended by striking out the word “ regulate,” in the second section of the bill, and, thus amended, that the bill pass.

Mr. Dortch, from the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures, reported on Bill, No. 303, to purchase the Hermitage, and to establish an Agricultural and Military School, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Dortch introduced Bill, No. 351, To amend the laws in reference to Notaries Public ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Ball introduced Bill, No. 352, For the relief of J. W. Graham and others ;

Which passed first reading and was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. White offered Resolution, No. 104, as follows :

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the President and Cashier of the Union Bank report to this House, at as early a day as possible, whether there is any Directors of the Branch of said Bank at Knoxville ; if not, when, and for what cause, did the Directors of said Branch resign ; and that they report all correspondence between the mother Bank, or any officer of the same, with any officer or the Directors of the said Branch, which led to or produced the resignation of the same. And that they further report, particularly, and in detail, what business has been done at said Branch since the resignation of the Directors ; whether any bills or notes have been discounted, bought or sold, without the aid of a directory ; and what business, of any kind whatsoever, has been done by said Branch since it has ceased to have a Board of Directors ; and, particularly, what amount of exchange has been sold by said Branch, and what amount has been transferred to the mother Bank since the resignation of the Board of Directors.

The rule was suspended and the resolution adopted.

Mr. Carnichael introduced Bill, No. 353, for the benefit of Union county ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on New Counties and County Lines.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, introduced Resolution, No. 105, as follows

Whereas, The Legislature of 1851-2 passed a resolution appointing competent commissioners to revise and digest the General Statutes of the State of Tennessee, and report the same to the next General Assembly : and, whereas, the said commissioners have failed or refused, from time to time, to make any such report ; therefore,

Resolved, That if said commissioners do not comply with the requirements of said resolution by the 15th of January next, they shall no longer be considered as commissioners, and the Attorney General of the State shall issue a writ to have the full amount of all monies appropriated or paid on account of the aforesaid resolution refunded to the Treasury.

The resolution was laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Tipton introduced Bill, No. 354, To charter the Elizabethton and Owensville Turnpike Company ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. Bobo introduced Bill, No. 355, To amend an act entitled An act Incorporate the Mechanic's Library Association of the town of Fayetteville, and for other purposes, passed March 2, 1854 ;

Passed first reading.

Mr. Nixon moved

To take up Senate Bill, No 87, Directory to the Comptroller of the Treasury, for the benefit of the printers to the Senate and House of Representatives.

The motion prevailed ;

And the bill passed its third reading, by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—65.

Noes—None.

Mr. Parks moved

That the bill be transmitted immediately to the Senate.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Davie moved

To take up Bill, No. 332, To amend and reduce into one the acts relating to the charter of the town of Clarksville.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Davie moved

A non-concurrence in the report of the Committee, in relation to striking out the word "regulate."

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Harris moved

To strike out such portion of the bill as authorizes a work-house to be established.

The motion failed.

The bill passed its second reading.

Mr. Newman moved

To take up Senate Bill, No. 1, To amend the act incorporating the town of Winchester.

The motion prevailed.

The bill passed its third reading.

Mr. Runnels moved

To take up Bill, No. 275, To charter the Shelbyville University of the Tennessee Conference.

The motion prevailed ;

And the bill passed second reading.

Mr. Dunnington moved

To take up Bill, No. 171, To amend the act incorporating the town of Williamsport.

The motion prevailed.

The bill passed third reading.

Mr. Stovall moved

To take up Senate Bill, No. 19, To establish a Court at Common Law, West of Reel Foot Lake, in Obion county.

The motion prevailed.

The bill passed its third reading, by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Watkins, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown.

Noes—Mr. Welcker—1.

Mr. Dortch moved

To take up Bill, No. 187, to incorporate the LaGrange Synodical College.

The motion prevailed.

The bill passed its second reading.

Mr. Massengill moved

To take up Bill, No. 190, giving the Blountsville, Elizabethton, and Middletown Turnpike Company, further time to build their road.

The motion prevailed; and

Mr. Easterly moved

To amend, as follows:

Be it further enacted, That the first section of an act, passed 23d December, 1852, chap. 264, to incorporate the Grayson Turnpike Company, in Marion county, be so amended as to authorize Henry Grayson to commence his turnpike road at the foot of Cumberland Mountain, and terminate at the top of said mountain.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Looney offered an amendment, as follows:

Be it further enacted, That the provisions of this act be extended to the Columbia, Mooresville, Cornersville, and Lewisburg Turnpike Company.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Harris moved

To amend the bill.

The motion prevailed.

The bill then passed third reading.

Mr. Dunnington moved

That all the bills which have passed their third reading, be transmitted, at once, to the Senate.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Myatt moved

To take up Bill, No. 347, making an appropriation of \$5,000 to clear out the Emery river.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Massengill offered to amend, so that the provisions of the bill, where it directly appropriates money from the Treasury, shall apply to the Holston River from Kingsport, in Sullivan county, to Ryston Ford, near Andrew Bay's, in said county, and the sum of ten thousand dollars be appropriated to improve the navigation of said river; and that Andrew Odell, Jr., Reuben Hicks, and A. L. Gammon, be appointed Commissioners to superintend said act.

The amendment was rejected, and the bill passed second reading.

Mr. Pope moved

To adjourn till 2½ o'clock, P. M.

The motion failed.

Mr. Mabry moved

To adjourn till 2 o'clock, P. M.

The motion failed.

Mr. Bartlett moved

That the House concur in Senate's amendment to Bill, No. 174, to incorporate the Washington Fire Company, No. 6, in the city of Memphis.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. DeWitt moved

To adjourn till 2½ o'clock, P. M.

The motion failed.

On motion of Mr. Stovall,

The House adjourned till quarter past 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

A Message, was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

I am directed immediately to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has adopted, without amendment, the report of the Joint Select Committee, recommending the printing of ten thousand copies of the Report of the Secretary of the Agricultural Bureau.

Bill, No. 84, to amend the practice in the Chancery Courts,
Passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cobb, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—44.

Noes—Messrs. Bullen, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Colquet, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Gilbert, Kimble, Kinney, Mathis, Meek, Newman, Runnels, Stovall, Wallace, and Wood of Cannon.—18.

Mr. Carlock withdrew Bill, No. 61, for amendment.

Bill, No. 151, to amend an act entitled

An act to charter the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company, and the several acts amending said act, passed by the Legislatures of Kentucky and Tennessee,

Was taken up.

Mr. Donelson offered several amendments ;

Which were adopted.

And, pending discussion upon the last two,

The House, on motion of Mr. Dortch,

Adjourned till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, MORNING NOVEMBER 29, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as follows :

The Committee on Enrolled Bills have had bills of the following numbers and titles under examination, and find them correctly engrossed, viz :

Bill, No. 7, To regulate subscriptions for railroad stock in the counties of Haywood, Gibson and Henry ;

Bill, No. 16, To regulate and establish uniform rules of costs, and for other purposes ;

Bill, No. 35, To repeal the act declaring the North Fork of Obion river navigable ;

Bill, No. 60, To amend the act of 1851-2, chapter 161 ;

Bill, No. 82, To amend the act of 1847, chapter 54, sections 1 and 2, and the act of 1823, chapter 21, section 1, and the act of

1835, chapter 17, section 4, regulating motions against constables and their securites, and to prescribe fees of officers in certain cases ;

Bill, No. 171, To amend an act incorporating the town of Williamsport, in Maury county ;

Bill, No. 190, Giving the Blountsville, Middletown and Elizabethton Turnpike Company further time to build their road, and reviving the Washington county and Walnut Mount Turnpike Company, and for other purposes.

Mr. Cavitt presented a petition from Benj. F. Murrell and Martha A. Murrell ;

Which was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Bullen, from the Committee on Public Roads and Highways, reported on Bill, No. 249½, To amend the charter of the Columbia and Hampshire Turnpike Road, and recommended its rejection.

Also begged to be discharged from further consideration of petitions in relation to the Columbia and Hampshire Turnpike Company.

Mr. Gleaves introduced Bill, No. 356, To create Boards of Medical Examiners for the State of Tennessee, to promote Medical Science, and for other purposes ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Cobb offered a Resolution, No. 106, as follows :

Whereas, the Cherokee Indians and natives of mixed blood, residing in Polk county, Tennessee, are becoming troublesome to the citizens, and it is desirable they should be removed from the State. Therefore,

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That our Senators in Congress be instructed, and our Representatives requested, to take such steps as will cause the speedy removal of said Indians and natives of mixed blood, from the county of Polk, to some Territory within the limits of the United States.

On motion of Mr. Cobb,

The rule was suspended, and the resolution was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Mr. Cook returned Bill, No. 43, To prevent accidents upon railroads and to protect the lives and property of the citizens, with certain amendments.

Mr. Cox introduced Bill, No. 357, To amend the act of 1839, chapter 26, section 3 ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Also a Bill, No. 358, To incorporate the Mount Olivet Cemetery ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Watkins introduced Bill, No. 359, To amend the 4th section of an act, passed February 2, 1850, incorporating the town of Pulaski ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Parks introduced Bill, No. 360, For the benefit of executors, administrators, and other persons ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The House then proceeded to the unfinished business of yesterday, being certain amendments proposed by Mr. Donelson to Bill, No. 151, To amend an act, entitled

An act to charter the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company, and the several acts amending said act, passed by the Legislatures of Kentucky and Tennessee.

Mr. Bullen moved

To amend the last amendment by providing that the Governor shall only issue bonds to the amount of the actual cost of the bridge ;

Which motion prevailed.

The amendments having been severally adopted,

Mr. Davie moved

A reconsideration of the vote adopting the amendment proposed to the first section.

Pending discussion on which,

The House, on motion of Mr. Meek, adjourned till 2½ o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House resumed the unfinished business of the morning, being the motion of Mr. Davie to reconsider the amendment adopted to the first section of the bill.

After protracted debate, the question was submitted.

Mr. Davie demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Cook, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Fielder, Fort, Gilbert, Holmes, Looney, Mathis, Meek, Newman, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Stovall, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Welcker, White, White side, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—32.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Runnels, Richey, Smith, Snodgrass, Wallace, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—31.

The motion to reconsider prevailed.

Mr. Brown, of Davidson, offered to amend the amendment first reconsidered, as follows:

Provided, That nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to prevent the Louisville and Nashville Railroad from admitting branch roads to connect with it at any point or points to be agreed upon; such branches to be built of means independent of said road. And provided further, that no branch so built and to connect with said road shall, in any event, be subject to the debts and liabilities of the said Louisville and Nashville Railroad.

The amendment to the amendment was adopted, and the amendment thus amended was adopted; and the bill as amended passed third reading as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cox, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—58.

Noes—Messrs. Bartlett, Bobo, Davie, Holmes and Taylor—5.

Mr. Gilbert entered a motion to reconsider the vote just taken.

Mr. Tipton moved

To take up the motion to reconsider.

The motion failed.

Mr. Harris moved

To take up the communication from the Secretary of State, received yesterday, as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE, }
Nashville, November 26, 1855. }

To the House of Representatives:

GENTLEMEN: A copy of your Resolution, No. 99, has this day been received, to which I respectfully reply: That, from the Comptroller's books, there appears to have been paid to Danforth, Bald & Co., for engraving and furnishing four thousand bonds, the sum of \$1,187 50. This, together with the expenses of transporting the bonds from Philadelphia to this place by Adams' Express, amounting, probably, to twenty dollars, comprises the whole amount paid for the four thousand bonds—the number thus far ordered and received.

Of these bonds there have been issued to the East Tennessee and Virginia Railroad Company - 669 bonds

On 569 of which, fifty cents per bond was collected for the State; and on the last one hundred issued, only twenty-five cents was collected.

To the Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company there have been issued - - - -

740 bonds

On five hundred and eighty of which fifty cents per bond was collected for the State; and one hundred and sixty, only twenty-five cents was collected.

To the Tennessee and Alabama Railroad Company there have been issued - - - -

300 "

On all of which fifty cents per bond has been collected for the State.

To the East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad Company there have been issued - - - -

520 "

On three hundred and seventy of which, fifty cents per bond was collected for the State; on one hundred and and thirty, thirty-seven and a half cents; and on twenty, twenty-five cents per bond.

To the Memphis and Ohio Railroad Company there have been issued - - - -

440 "

On all of which fifty cents per bond has been collected for the State.

To the McMinnville and Manchester Railroad Company there have been issued - - - -

300 "

On all of which fifty cents per bond was collected.

To the Mississippi and Tennessee Railroad Company there have been issued - - - -

98 "

On all of which fifty cents per bond has been collected.

To the Lynchburg and Mississippi Railroad Company there have been issued - - - -

25 "

On these nothing was collected for the State, as the Company furnished its own bonds.

Whole number of bonds issued under the laws of 1852, 3,093

Whole amount collected for engraving bonds, \$1,447 25

Which has all been paid into the Treasury.

It will be seen from the foregoing, that a larger sum has been collected from the companies than was absolutely necessary to cover the expenses for engraving already incurred. But it is impossible to foretell what will be the *pro rata* equivalent for that purpose; and in any future issue of bonds, the assessment may be so made as to do each of the companies substantial justice.

In reply to your second resolution, I may state that, in obedience to the law of 27th of February, 1854, I did compare the several books of transcribed grants with the originals from which they were taken, and certified them accordingly. For this service I neither demanded nor received any fees—the law allowing none. But the Register, having been liberally compensated by the law for his services, from a sense of justice, voluntarily and gratuitously

gave me five cents per grant for making the comparison and certificate, and thus relieved the State from an obligation which, from a sense of justice, it would have felt bound to discharge.

Respectfully submitted,

W. B. A. RAMSEY,
Secretary of State.

Mr. Harris moved

That seventy-five copies be printed.

Mr. Carlock returned Bill, No. 61,

Mr. Newman moved

To take up Senate message in relation to printing of the Report of the Secretary of the Agricultural Bureau.

The motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Newman,

The action of the Senate was concurred in.

Mr. Wilson returned Bill, No. 4, to abolish military duty,

With a bill in lieu.

On motion of Mr. Harris,

The bill was taken up.

Mr. Tipton moved

To strike out the word "person," and insert in lieu, the word "man."

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Myatt offered an amendment,

Providing that it shall be the duty of each person subject to military duty in each civil district to report himself to the Constable in the same, and any person failing to do so, he shall be subject to a fine of one dollar for each offence.

Mr. Newman offered an amendment, as follows :

Be it further enacted, That the titles heretofore conferred by militia commissions, be and the same is hereby, rendered extinct, and the names of such titles shall no longer be conferred after the passage of this bill.

Mr. Brazelton moved

To amend so that all funds arising under the provisions of this act, shall go into, and make a part of the Common School fund of this State.

On motion of Mr. Bullen,

The House adjourned till to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

FRIDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 30, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Looney, from the Committee on Federal Relations, reported on Resolution, No. 62, for the benefit of the officers and soldiers of the war of 1812, and subsequent Indian wars, &c., and recommended its adoption.

On Resolution, No. 106, in relation to the removal of the Cherokee Indians, in Polk county, and the petition accompanying, and recommended its rejection.

Mr. Welcker offered Resolution, No. 107, for the relief of the people of the first fractional township, first range, east of the meridian, in the Hiwassee district;

Which was laid over under the rule.

Mr. Bullen introduced Bill, No. 361,

To amend the act of 1811, chapter 76;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Carlock introduced Bill, No. 362,

To incorporate Eureka College;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Education and Common Schools.

The House then proceeded to yesterday's unfinished business, being Bill, No. 4, to abolish military duty; and

On motion of Mr. Bullen,

The bill was recommitted to the Committee on Military Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Parks,

Messrs. Donelson, Nixon, and Wilson, of Marshall, were added to the Committee on Military Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Meek,

Mr. Parks was added to same Committee.

Mr. Cox moved

That Messrs. Wood, of Hardeman, and Davie be added to the Committee on Lunatic Asylum.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To take up Resolution, No. 103, in reference to the nullification of the fugitive slave law.

The motion failed.

Mr. Runnels moved

To take up Bill, No. 275, to incorporate the Shelbyville College of Tennessee Conference.

The motion failed.

Bill, No. 197, to exempt Masonic, Odd Fellows' and Temperance Halls from taxation,

Was taken up.

Mr. Nixon moved

That the bill be indefinitely postponed.

After debate, Mr. Newman called for the previous question,
But withdrew the call.

After further debate, Mr. Gleaves called for the previous question.

The call was sustained.

On the indefinite postponement of the bill, Mr. Bobo demanded the ayes and noes,

Which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Bobo, Bullen, Campbell, Barlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Donelson, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Smith, Snodgrass, Tipton, Travis, Wallace, Watkins, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—39.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Looney, Parks, Pogue, Stovall, Taylor, Thomas, Tompkins, Welcker, and Mr. Speaker Brown—25.

The bill was indefinitely postponed.

Bill, No. 218, to amend the act of 1843, chapter 54, more effectually to secure the Common School fund,

Was taken up.

Mr. Cox offered an amendment, providing that the act take effect from and after its passage.

The amendment was adopted, and

The bill, as amended, passed its third reading.

Bill, No. 261, to incorporate Tennessee Female College,

Was taken up.

Mr. Newman offered an amendment,

Incorporating Buchanan College, at Winchester, Tennessee, and extending the provisions of the bill to the same ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Newman moved that the title of the bill be amended ;

Which motion prevailed.

And the bill passed third reading.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

I am directed to inform the the House of Representatives that the Senate has passed, on third and last reading, House Bill, No. 172, to extend the time for receiving State aid by the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company ;

And the same is herewith transmitted for enrollment.

The Senate has adopted House Resolutions, No. 96, instructing our Senators, and requesting our Representatives, to procure the amendment of the Bounty Land Act of 3d March, 1855, so as to

extend its provisions to the Tennessee Volunteer Companies of 1836; No. 100, granting the use of Representative Hall to the American Medical Association, in which to hold their annual session, in 1857; No. 102, directory to the Joint Select Committee on the State Capitol and Grounds;

And the same are herewith transmitted for enrollment.

The Senate has passed on third and last reading Senate Bill, No. 29, entitled A bill to repeal the act of 1852, to authorize and regulate the business of banking;

And I have been directed immediately to transmit the same to the House of Representatives, which is herewith done.

Mr. Davie moved to take up Senate Messages;

Which motion prevailed.

Senate Bill, No. 29, to repeal the act of 1852, to authorize and regulate the business of banking,

Was taken up.

Pending discussion on which,

On motion of Mr. Bobo,

The House adjourned till 2½ o'clock, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The House resumed the unfinished business of the morning.

The bill passed first reading and was referred to the Committee on Banks.

Senate Bill, No. 21, to amend an act passed February 25, 1854, to incorporate the Murfreesboro and Liberty Turnpike Company, Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 35, to authorize the several Courts of this State to adjudge costs, which have been omitted in taxing costs, Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 42, to amend an act entitled An act to amend the criminal laws of this State, passed February 28, 1852,

Passed first reading, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Senate Resolution, No. 45, directory to the Secretary of State, was, on motion of Mr. Nixon, referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senate Resolution, No. 48, directing our Senators, and requesting our Representatives, to procure the passage of an act granting

an appropriation from the National Treasury, or a donation of lands, to levee the eastern bank of the Mississippi River, from Hickman, in Kentucky, to the mouth of Wolf River,

Was adopted.

Senate Bill, No. 60, to increase the salary of the Attorney General and Reporter of the State,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 75, to authorize the Comptroller to appoint a Deputy,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 76, to divide and equally apportion the academy fund of Jefferson county, between Dandridge Female Academy and Maury Academy,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 79, to amend an act entitled An act to charter the Nashville, Franklin and Columbia Railroad Company,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 94, for the benefit of the Inspectors of the Penitentiary,

Passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Penitentiary.

A message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :—

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled act, entitled An act directory to the Comptroller for the benefit of the printers to the Senate and House of Representatives ;

And the same is herewith transmitted for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Cook moved

To transmit at once to the Senate, all bills on the Clerk's desk passed on third reading.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker presented the Report of the State Librarian ;

Which was received, and ordered to be spread upon the Journal, and was as follows :

TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE.

By the joint action of the "Act to defray the expenses of the General Assembly," passed March 4, 1854, it is enacted - That one thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated to purchase a Library for the State of Tennessee, and that R. J. Meigs is hereby appointed Commissioner to superintend the object of this appropriation.

Of this appropriation the following sums have been drawn from the Treasury:

1854.	June 20.	By Comptroller's Warrant, Number	3854	\$160.00	
	November 23.	" "	4271	117.00	
1855.	March 10.	" "	4497	237.57	
	April 20.	" "	4554	300.00	
	May 29.	" "	4611	281.00	
	June 12.	" "	4653	2,108.75	
	July 27.	" "	4773	61.30	
	August 7.	" "	4785	862.71	
	August 12.	" "	4815	152.47.	
		Total amount drawn,	- - - -	4,280.80	
	October 1.	Balance in Treasury,	- - - -	719.20	\$5,000

The following disposition has been made of the said sum of four thousand two hundred and eighty dollars and 12 cents

		Vols.		
1850	April 13.	Paid A. Hamilton for freight and charges on Catalogue of New York State Library, - - - - -	1	\$2.00 \$2.00
	June 21.	Paid Benjamin Litten for copy of Anderson's History of Commerce, Paid same for Niles' Register, from September, 1811, to March, 1848, - - - - -	4 68	10.00 150.00 160.00
	Nov. 22.	Paid Thos. Washington for National Intelligencer, Newspaper, from 1848 to 1849, - - - - -	18	117.00 117.00
1851	March 16.	Paid John Pennington & Son for Edinburgh Review, 94 vols. Quarterly Review, 92 vols. Universal History, 65 vols. Annual Register, 68 vols. - - - - - Box and Packing same, - - - - - Insurance, freight, and charges, - - - - -	317	\$223.74 2.00 11.83 237.57
	Ap. 9 '52	Paid express to Boston and back, - - - - -		104.00 104.00
	May 9 '52	June 1.	Paid John Pennington & Son for Lemaire's Latin Classics, - - - - - Freight and charges on these, - - - - -	147 11.33 292.33
	June 2.	Paid Nashville and Chattanooga R. R. Co. for freight and charges on 946 vols. from Little, Brown & Co., - - - - - Paid drayage to Capitol, - - - - -	42.17 60	
		Carried forward,	555	\$912.90

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1855.	Brought forward,	Vols.		
		555		\$912.90
June 12.	Paid Little, Brown & Co. for bill of books bought May 2, and insurance, - - - - -	946	2,108.75	
	Paid exchange on said bill, - - - - -		21.08	2,172.60
July 5.	Paid John C. Fehr for binding 17 vols., as per bill, - - - - -		19.75	19.75
July 6.	Paid Nashville and Chattanooga R. R. Co. for freight and charges on 38 vols., bought of Little, Brown & Co., - - - - -		2.12	
	Paid drayage to Capitol, - - - - -		25	
July 7.	Paid Little, Brown & Co. for English State Trials, 34 vols. Camden's Britannia, 4 vols., - - - - -	38	152.47	
	Paid exchange on same, - - - - -		1.50	156.34
Aug. 7.	Paid John Pennington & Son for 'bill of books, and exchange' on same, - - - - -	19	61.30	61.30
Aug..	Paid Nashville and Chattanooga R. R. Co. for freight and charges on 432 vols., from D. Appleton & Co., - - - - -		15.80	
Aug. 9.	Paid exchange on \$862, to be remitted to Appleton and Co., - - - - -		8.60	24.40
Aug. 10.	Paid D. Appleton & Co. for bill of books, - - - - -	432	851.66	
	Box and cartage on same, - - - - -		4.00	
	Insurance, - - - - -		7.05	862.71
	Paid drayage to Capitol, - - - - -		55	55
Aug. 11.	Paid Little, Brown & Co. for Life of Newton, - - - - -	2	3.38	
	Novum Testamentum Tetraglotton, - - - - -	1	3.75	
	12th vol. Gazetteer of the World, - - - - -	12	2.25	9.38
	Paid Berry & Co. for carriage of these, - - - - -		1.00	1.00
Aug. 12.	Paid Methodist Book Concern for Theodicy, - - - - -	1	1.50	1.50

Aug. 17.	Paid John Pennington & Son for Harleian Miscellany,	-	-	12	17.50	17.50
	Paid Berry & Co. for carriage of these,	-	-	-	1.00	1.00
Sept. 27.	" " " Arnott on Warmth and Ventilation,	-	-	1	2.50	
Sept. 29.	" " " Longinus on the Sublime,	-	-	1	1.50	4.00
	Total,	-	-	2009		\$4,245.93

Which sum, (\$4245.93,) deducted from the said sum of \$4280.80, leaves in my hands a balance of \$34.87.

REPORT.

The apartment in the Capitol intended for the Library not being prepared for the reception of the books, those bought by me, as well as others belonging to the State, have been placed on temporary shelves in one of the Committee-rooms of the Senate; and of the whole, one of my sons has prepared the Catalogues appended to this Report.

Among these books, the works of Dugald Stewart, the *Enclopædia Britannica*, the *Gazeteer of the World*, and perhaps one or two others, are publications that have not been completed, or are parts of new editions still in progress; and it will be necessary, of course, to procure the remaining volumes to complete the copies. It would be inexcusable to buy an old edition of any leading book, especially of a *Cyclopædia*, when there is a new one in progress, professing to present the existing state of knowledge, to correct past errors, and amplify the various departments of science.

I have ventured to subscribe, on behalf of the State, for a copy of the great work of Agassiz on the Natural History of the United States, the publication of which is soon to be commenced, and for a copy of the Reports of the Decisions of the Supreme Court of the United States, by Judge Curtis, now issuing from the press of Messrs Little, Brown & Co., of Boston. Should this be disapproved, some other disposition of both works can be readily made.

In a public library, provided at the common expense of the people, every citizen ought to find books—the best of their kind, if possible—relating to his particular pursuit. This end has been aimed at in this collection; but it can hardly be said that the attempt has been quite successful; nor, indeed, is absolute success within the compass of so small an appropriation. On inspection, however, of these lists, it will be seen that most branches of useful knowledge are represented.

A library crowded with an indiscriminate medley of all the productions of the press, is certainly far from desirable; but it is impossible for a people to make itself a more useful present than a collection of books, open at all seasons, so comprehensive and complete as to enable the investigator to possess himself of the real knowledge that the united wisdom of the world has accumulated, touching human pursuits on earth and the state of man hereafter. Nothing short of such a collection ought to satisfy the Legislature of a State that is free, and that is resolved to remain so as long as there is a man on earth.

The “Classified Catalogue” has been prepared to show how imperfect the collection is, and to serve as a guide for its continuation.

An additional appropriation of ten thousand dollars, judiciously invested, would establish the library upon a solid foundation, and make it a truly desirable and useful resort for all the longing worshippers of wisdom, whose silent and often despised vigils have

gradually delivered mankind from the misery and brutal degradation of the savage state, and led the race to the glorious liberty that belongs alone to the mind made free.

For the preservation of our small but precious treasure, it must be put in charge of a Librarian, whose duty it shall be to keep it open daily for the public use, under such regulations as may be prescribed by law. As the books belong alike to every citizen, it is plain that they cannot be taken from the Library-room, but must remain there, so as to be at all times accessible to all. There can be no necessity for any but one exception to this rule: the members of the Legislature, while in the discharge of their duties at the Capitol, must perhaps be permitted to take books from the room, but even in that case, a check should be left with the Librarian, and the cost of such as are lost by a member should be deducted from his pay.

My accounts are ready to be submitted to such examination as the Legislature may deem expedient. Receipts have been taken for all payments, except for drayage from the wharf or railroad depot to the Capitol, and similar small services; and the original invoices, showing the cost of every volume, are preserved, and will be filed in the Library.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. J. MEIGS.

The Speaker also presented a communication (in answer) from the President and Cashier of the Union Bank of Tennessee, to the Resolution adopted by the House, propounding certain interrogatories;

Which was received and read.

Mr. Galbreath presented to the House, the second Biennial Reports of the Trustees, Treasurer, and the Physician and Superintendent of the Tennessee Hospital of the Insane, transmitted to the Legislature, November 8, 1855.

Mr. Galbreath moved

That 5000 copies be printed.

The motion failed.

Mr. White moved

That 2000 copies be printed.

The motion failed.

Mr. Colquet moved

That 1000 copies be printed.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Holmes moved

A reconsideration of the vote just taken.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Galbreath moved

That 5000 copies be printed.

Mr. Tipton moved

To lay the motion to print on the table.

The motion failed.

Mr. Armstrong moved

That 1999 copies be printed.

Mr. Tipton called for the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Holmes, Kimble, Looney, Pope, Runnels, Sheinwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—37.

Noes—Messrs. Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carmichael, Cobb, Easterly, Gilbert, Harris, Hatton, Kinney, Massengill, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Stovall, Temple, Tipton, Travis, and Wilson of Marshall.—23.

The motion prevailed.

House Bill, No. 61, For the benefit of Columbia Academy, in Mc-Minn county,

Was taken up.

Mr. Carlock offered a bill in lieu, entitled An act to enable parents and guardians to control their school funds, in the employment of of superior teachers.

Mr. Harris offered an amendment.

On motion of Mr. Newman,

The original bill, the bill in lieu, and amendment, were referred to the Committee on Education and Common Schools.

Bill, No. 67, To suppress intemperance,

Was taken up.

Mr. DeWitt moved

That it be made the order of the day for Wednesday, December 5, at 11 o'clock.

Mr. Harris moved

To indefinitely postpone the bill.

On motion of Mr. Wilson, of Marshall,

The House adjourned till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 1, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Cavitt moved

A call of the House.

Absent—

Messrs. Bartlett, Bobo, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Dunnington, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Mabry, Mathis, Run-

nels, Shemwell, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Watkins, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall—24.

In a few minutes the House had a quorum.

Mr. Bullen moved

To dispense with further call of the House.

Mr. Holmes presented a report and memorial from the Trustees of the Memphis Hospital ;

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Richey presented a petition of citizens of Roane and Monroe counties, asking an appropriation to clean out the Little Tennessee River.

Also, a Bill, No 363, To clean out the Little Tennessee River ;
Which passed first reading.

The bill and petition were referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Hatton asked leave of absence during the day, to attend to his duties as chairman of the Committee on Penitentiary ;

Which was granted.

Mr. Armstrong presented a petition from citizens of Knoxville, praying an appropriation to the Hospital at that place ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Rudd presented a memorial from citizens of Monroe county, in relation to merchants' tax, &c. ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Davie, from the Committee on Banks, reported on Senate Bill, No. 29, To repeal the act of 1852, to authorize and regulate the business of banking ;

And recommended its rejection.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the following acts were correctly enrolled :

An act to establish a Chancery Court in the town of Cookeville, and for other purposes.

An act to allow interchange of Judges and Chancellors.

An act to extend the time for receiving State aid by the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company.

An act to incorporate the Washington Fire Company, No. 6, in the city of Memphis.

Also, Resolution, tendering the use of the Hall to the American Medical Association.

Resolution, instructing our Senators, and requesting our Representatives, to procure the amendment of the Bounty Land Act of 3d of March, 1855, so as to extend its provisions to the Tennessee Volunteer Companies of 1836.

Mr. Newman, introduced Bill, No. 364,

To collect debts from counties ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Holmes introduced Bill, No. 365,

For the better and more permanent establishment of the Memphis City Schools ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Cloud introduced Bill, No. 366,

To amend an act passed March 1, 1854, incorporating the Tazewell Female Academy, and for other purposes ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Education and Common Schools.

Mr. Armstrong moved

That the use of the Committee Rooms be allowed to Mr. Fisher for the purpose of exhibiting a painting of the battle of New Orleans to members of the Legislature ;

Which motion prevailed.

The unfinished business of yesterday was resumed.

Mr. Travis, withdrew his motion to indefinitely postpone the bill to suppress intemperance.

On motion of Mr. Tipton,

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Tippling and Tippling Houses.

Mr. Tipton obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 335, for amendment.

Bill, No. 92, on the subject of champerty, and for other purposes, Was taken up.

The bill recommended by the Judiciary Committee in lieu of the original bill was adopted ;

And the bill passed its second reading.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To strike out the last section of the bill.

The motion prevailed.

Bill, No. 80, to repeal an act passed March 2, 1854, chapter 75, Was taken up, and

Mr. Rudd moved a non-concurrence in the report of the Judiciary Committee recommending its rejection.

The motion failed.

Mr. Parks moved a concurrence in the report of the Committee.

The motion prevailed, and the bill was rejected.

On motion of Mr. Brien,

Bill, No. 45, to secure the completion of the Smithville and McMinnville Turnpike road,

Was taken up.

Mr. Massengill offered an amendment,

Extending the provisions of the bill to that part of the Blountsville, Middletown, and Elizabethton Turnpike road, laying between the Virginia line and Middletown.

The amendment was ruled out of order,

And the bill passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Welcker,

Bill, No. 81, for the relief of John Blair and others,

Was taken up.

Mr. Welcker moved

That the bill be referred to the Committee on Claims.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Myatt moved

A reconsideration of the vote just taken.

Mr. Myatt moved

To take up Bill, No. 347, appropriating \$5,000 to make Emery River navigable.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Harris moved

To lay the bill on the table.

The motion failed.

Mr. Harris moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

Mr. Gleaves moved

To adjourn till 10 o'clock, Monday morning.

The motion failed.

Mr. Tipton moved

To adjourn to 2½ o'clock this afternoon, and called for the ayes and noes;

Which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Brown of Madison, Colquet, Cox, Easterly, Fielder, Gallaway, Harris, Massengill, Parks, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Tipton, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—16.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Brien, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Colburn, Cook, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Fort, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Temple, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, and Wilson of Carroll—40.

The motion failed.

Mr. Wilson, of Carroll entered a motion to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. —, to exempt Masonic, Odd Fellows', and Temperance Halls from taxation.

Mr. Pope obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 159.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

That the printing of the Calendar for next week be dispensed with.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Kinney entered a motion to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 80, to repeal an act passed 2d March, 1854, chapter 75.

Mr. Gleaves moved

The previous question on Bill, No. 347.

Mr. Harris withdrew his motion indefinitely postponing the bill.

The call for the previous question was sustained.

The question was then submitted upon the passage of the bill, with the following result:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Brien, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Temple, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, and Wilson of Carroll—34.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Bullen, Cloud, Cook, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Mabry, Massengill, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Stovall, Tipton, Watkins, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—19.

The bill passed its third reading.

Mr. DeWitt moved

To adjourn until Monday morning, 10 o'clock.

The motion prevailed.

MONDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 3, 1855.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, presented a Memorial from the county Court of Madison county, in relation to the collection of county tax for railroads.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the following bills were correctly engrossed, viz :

Bill, No. 84, to amend the practice in Chancery Courts.

Bill, No. 218, to amend an act more effectually to secure the Common School Funds, chapter 54, act of 1843.

Bill, No. 261, to incorporate the Tennessee Female College, and the Buchanan College, at Winchester.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, from the Committee on Internal Improvements, reported as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom sundry bills and memorials were referred, have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the following recommendations, to wit :

Bill, No. 363, to clean out the Little Tennessee River ;

The committee recommend that this bill be rejected.

Bill, No. 350, to authorize Wm. Ridenour, of Campbell county, to erect a dam across a slue on Powel River ;

The committee recommend that this bill be passed.

Bill, No. 330, to aid in constructing a railroad from Chattanooga

to the East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad, in the direction of Knoxville ;

The majority of the Committee recommend the passage of the bill.

The Committee ask to be discharged from the consideration of the accompanying memorials.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

HERVEY BROWN

Chairman.

The Committee were discharged, as requested, from the memorials referred to.

The vote referring Bill, No. 81, for the relief of John Blair and others, to the Committee on Claims,

Was reconsidered, and the bill referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Nixon, from the Select Committee on the State Library, reported as follows :

The Joint Select Committee appointed in pursuance to a resolution of the present General Assembly, to take charge of the State Library, beg leave to report, that they have examined the receipts and vouchers in the hands of R. J. Meigs, who was appointed by the act of March 4, 1854, to purchase a library for the State of Tennessee, and find from receipts and vouchers, in his hands, he has expended in the purchase of said library, \$4,245 93 of the amount of \$5000, appropriated by the afore-mentioned act of 4th March, 1854 ; and that the number of volumes, their cost, charges of transportation, &c., are correctly set forth in the "Catalogue of the Tennessee State Library," prepared by Mr. Meigs, pages 3 and 4 of his report in said catalogue.

The Committee beg leave to call the attention of members to the fifth and sixth pages of Mr. Meigs' report, and more particularly to the latter part of said report, in which Mr. Meigs says : "For the preservation of our small, but precious treasure, it must be put in charge of a Librarian, whose duty it shall be to keep it open daily, for the public use, under such regulations as may be prescribed by law. As the books belong alike to every citizen, it is plain they cannot be taken from the library room, but must remain there, so as to be at all times accessible to all. There can be no necessity for any but one exception to this rule ; the members of the Legislature, while in discharge of their duties at the Capitol, must, perhaps be permitted to take books from the room ; but even in that case a check should be left with the Librarian, and the cost of such as are lost by a member should be deducted from his pay." It is proper to add that the cost of printing the Catalogue to the State Library will have to be paid out of the appropriation of \$5000.

All of which is very respectfully submitted.

G. H. NIXON,

Chairman on part of the House.

Mr. Taylor introduced Bill, No. 347, To amend an act entitled An act to change the manner of keeping up the public roads in this State passed 20th January, 1837, chapter 148;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Tipton returned Bill, No. 353, To change the time of holding the Chancery Court at Elizabethton.

Mr. Davie introduced Bill, No. 368, To incorporate the Stewart College and Academy in Montgomery county;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Education and Common Schools.

Mr. Taylor introduced Bill, No. 369, To charter the Tennessee Typographical Union;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Holmes introduced Bill, No. 370, To incorporate the Gayoso Savings Institution;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. Smith entered a motion to reconsider the vote adopting Bill, No. 3, Appropriating \$5,000 to clean out Big Emery River.

Mr. Rudd introduced Bill, No. 371, For the benefit of J. S. Miligan;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Richey introduced Bill, No. 372, For the benefit of creditors;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

On motion of Mr. Cox,

Bill, No. 183, To amend the charter of the city of Nashville,

Was taken up.

Mr. Cox offered to amend by providing that the Corporate Council shall not levy taxes to exceed ten per cent.

The amendment was adopted, and the bill passed second reading.

Mr. Massengill moved

To take up Bill, No. 289;

The motion failed.

Mr. Newman moved

To take up Senate Bills on second reading;

The motion failed.

Bill, No. 64, To regulate tax upon slaves,

Was taken up.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

A concurrence in the report of the Committee on Ways and Means recommending its rejection.

The motion prevailed, and the bill was rejected.

Bill, No. 95, To amend the criminal laws of this State

Was taken up.

Mr. Bullen moved

Its indefinite postponement, which he withdrew, and moved to

and so that the provisions should not apply to any cases except gaming.

The motion to amend failed.

Mr. Bullen then renewed his motion to indefinitely postpone the bill.

The motion failed.

Mr. Tipton moved

To amend by providing pay for witnesses.

Mr. Brien moved

To lay the amendment of Mr. Tipton on the table ;

The motion prevailed.

The bill passed second reading.

Bill, No. 91, To repeal the Tippling Law,

Was referred to the Committee on Tippling and Tippling Houses.

Mr. Bullen entered a motion to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 64.

Bill, No. 99, Granting merchants the privilege to sell goods in certain cases without license,

Was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By leave; Mr. Cook introduced Bill, No. 373, To keep up with the times ;

Passed first reading, and

On motion of Mr. Looney,

Was laid on the table.

Mr. Cook, by leave, withdrew the bill.

Bill, No. 101, To amend an act establishing the county of Putnam ;

Passed over on account of the absence of its author.

Bill, No. 102, For the benefit of parents and guardians,

Was taken up and referred to the Committee on Education and Common Schools.

Mr. Burch, by leave, introduced Bill, No. 384, To amend the School Law ;

Passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Education and Common Schools.

On motion of Mr. Massengill,

The House adjourned till half-past 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Bill, No. 100, To change the mode of electing Surveyors :

Mr. Mathis moved

That the report of the Committee be non-concurred in recommending the rejection of the bill.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Cavitt moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

Mr. Mathis moved

To lay this motion on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Gleaves moved

To strike out the first section of the bill.

Mr. Mathis moved

To lay this motion on the table.

The motion failed.

The motion of Mr. Gleaves to strike out the first section prevailed.

The bill, as amended, passed its second reading.

Mr. Mathis obtained leave to withdraw the bill for amendment.

Bill, No. 101, To amend an act establishing the county of Putnam,

Was taken up.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

A non-concurrence in the report of the Committee recommending its rejection.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Snodgrass withdrew the bill for amendment.

Bill, No. 110, To protect honest litigants,

Was taken up.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

A non-concurrence in the report of the Judiciary Committee, recommending its rejection.

Mr. Gilbert moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

Mr. Stovoll moved

To lay Mr. Gilbert's motion on the table.

Mr. Cavitt called the previous question.

The call was sustained.

The motion to indefinitely postpone prevailed.

Bill, No. 105, To increase the school fund, and for other purposes,

Was taken up.

Mr. Gallaway withdrew the bill.

Bill, No. 111, To further extend the jurisdiction of the officers of incorporated cities and towns.

Mr. Richey moved

A non-concurrence in the report of the Committee recommending the rejection of the bill.

The motion failed.

The bill was rejected.

Mr. Massengill moved

To reconsider the vote just taken.

The motion prevailed;

And the bill was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Galbreath moved

To take up the motion to reconsider the vote adopting Bill, 347, appropriating \$5000 to clean out Emery River.

The motion failed.

Bill, No 113, To suppress drunkenness.

Mr. Carlock moved

A non-concurrence in the report of the Committee recommending its rejection.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Harris offered as an amendment, that said act shall not take effect until after Christmas.

Mr. Carlock withdrew the bill for amendment.

Bill, No. 114, To amend the small offence law, passed 10th February, 1845.

The report of the committee recommending its rejection was concurred in.

Mr. Burch moved

To strike out the words, "not exceeding fifty dollars and all costs," and insert in lieu thereof, 'nor more than one hundred dollars, together with all costs, and may at the discretion of the Justice or Justices trying the cause, be confined within the county jail not more than three months.'

Mr. Temple offered an amendment, increasing the jurisdiction and pay of magistrates.

Mr. Mathis called the previous question.

The call was sustained.

On the passage of the bill, Mr. Snodgrass called for the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Brazelton, Bullen, Campbell, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Easterly, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Tipton, Wallace, and Whiteside—33.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bobo, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Looney, Meek, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Temple, Thomas, Travis, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—32.

The bill passed second reading.

Mr. Kinney moved

That the House adjourn till 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

The motion prevailed.

TUESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 4, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Holmes presented a petition, asking an appropriation to Sneed marris, for certain services rendered.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Carmichael presented a petition from citizens of Grainger county, praying the enactment of a prohibitory liquor law ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Tippling and Tippling Houses.

Mr. Massengill presented a petition from citizens of Bristol, praying that said town be incorporated.

Mr. Brien, of Madison, reported from the Committee on Internal Improvements. as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom sundry bills were referred, have had the same under consideration, and directed me to report the same back to the House, with the following recommendations thereon, to wit :

Senate Bill, No. 18, To amend an act entitled An act to amend an act to establish a system of Internal Improvements in this State.

The Committee recommend that the following section be added to the bill by way of amendment, and, thus amended, a majority of said Committee recommend that the bill pass :

Be it enacted, that the turnpike roads belonging to the State, or the interest which the State has in said roads, to any amount or character, be sold ; and that it shall be the duty of said railroad commissioners to sell said roads, or the interest of the State therein, soon as he can effect such sale ; and that he is hereby fully authorized to make all necessary and proper conveyances or transfers of said roads, or interest upon said sale ; provided, that said sales shall not be made at a less price than the amount which would yield six per centum, as shown in the Message of the Governor of this State ; and further, that said railroad commissioner may receive State bonds of the State of Tennessee, in payment for said roads, or the interest of the State therein.

Bill, No. 300, To amend the Internal Improvement law of this State, passed 8th February, 1854 :

The Committee recommend that the following proviso be added to the first section of said bill :

Provided, that nothing herein contained shall in any manner be construed to interfere with or defeat the lien of the State on said road for bonds issued or to be issued, or endorsement of bonds for said road ; and, thus amended, that the bill pass.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. BROWN,
Chairman.

Mr. Nixon, from the Committee on Claims, reported on Bill, No. 223,

Directory to the Comptroller of the Treasury, for the benefit of Absalom Selcer, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Harris introduced Bill, No. 375,

To amend the act of 1831, chapter 86 ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Cobb presented a petition from thirty-seven citizens of Polk County,

Praying a charter for S. and J. Parks, and granting them permission to build a toll-bridge across Ocoee River ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. Wood of Hardeman, from the Committee on Education and Common Schools, reported as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Committee on Education and Common Schools, have had under consideration bills, of the following titles, to-wit : Bill, No. 271, for the benefit of Common Schools ; Bill, 311, to be entitled An act to repeal an act to establish a system of Common Schools in this State, passed February 28, 1854 ; and recommend their rejection.

The Committee have also had under consideration Bill, No. 368, to incorporate the Stewart College and Academy, in the county of Montgomery ; and recommend that the fourth section thereof be stricken out, and that the bill pass.

The Committee have also had under consideration Bill, No. 362, to incorporate Eureka College ; and recommend that section five be stricken out, and that the bill pass.

The Committee have also had under consideration Bill, No. 124, to increase the Common School Fund, and for other purposes ; and I am instructed to report, that the Committee are equally divided as to the merits of this bill, and therefore cannot agree, and beg to be discharged from its further consideration.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

R. H. WOOD,
Chairman.

Mr. Runnels moved to take up House Bill, No. 275, To charter the Shelbyville University of the Tennessee Conference.

The motion prevailed, and the bill passed third reading.

Mr. Galbreath moved

To take up the motion to reconsider the vote passing Bill No. 347, appropriating five thousand dollars to clear out Emery River.

The motion prevailed.

On the question of reconsideration, Mr. Dunnington called for the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Colburn, Cowden, Dortch, Dunnington, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Shemwell, Stovall, Temple, Tipton, Travis, Watkins, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—27.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Brien, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, and Wood of Cannon—43.

The motion to reconsider failed.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Senate has passed, on third and last reading, Senate Bills as follows :

No. 77, to amend the charter of the United Firemen's Insurance Company of Nashville, passed the 25th February, 1852.

No. 83, to amend an act entitled An act to incorporate Mississippi River Levee Company, and the Forked Deer and Obion Levee Company.

No. 15, to suppress the circulation of small notes.

No. 73, to incorporate the Holston Preachers' Aid Society.

No. 98, to provide for the payment of certain State bonds.

No. 95, to amend the charter of the Edgefield Bucket and Broom Manufactring Company.

No. 89, to amend an act entitled An act to incorporate Hiwassee College, passed January 23, 1850.

The Senate has also adopted Senate Resolutions, No. 51, for the benefit of James P. Thompson, Jo. W. Carter, A. M. Savage, and W. Britton ; and No. 49, instructing our Senators, and requesting our Representatives, to aid in the passage of a bill granting a pension to the soldiers of the war of 1812, and of the various Indian wars.

The Speaker of the Senate has also signed enrolled resolutions with the following titles, and the same are herewith transmitted for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

Directory to the Commissioners of the State Capitol, &c.

Directory to the Comptroller of the Treasury.

The Speaker of the Senate has also signed enrolled acts as follows :

An act to amend an act passed 11th February, 1852, chapter 151, entitled An act to establish a system of Internal Improvements in this State.

An act to reduce the number of Directors in the branches of the Union Bank of Tennessee.

And the same are herewith transmitted for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The Speaker of the Senate has also signed enrolled acts as follows, and the same have been deposited with the Secretary of State :

To incorporate the Washington Fire Company, No. 6, in the city of Memphis.

To extend the time for receiving State aid by the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company.

To establish a Chancey Court in the town of Cookeville, and for other purposes.

To allow interchange of Judges and Chancellors.

Resolutions, granting the use of Representative Hall to the American Medical Association, in which to hold the session of 1857 of said Association.

Instructing our Senators, and requesting our Representatives in Congress, to procure the amendment of the Bounty Land Act of 3d March, 1835, so as to extend its provisions to the Tennessee volunteers of 1836.

Mr. Runnels moved

That Bill, No. 275, be transmitted at once to the Senate.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Meek moved

To take up Bill, No. 279.

The motion failed.

Bill, No. 108, to promote improvement in the criminal law, and for other purposes,

Was taken up, amended as suggested by the Judiciary Committee, and,

On motion of Mr. Dunnington,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 112, to amend an act entitled

An act to amend the Revenue Laws of this State, passed February 5, 1848,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 56, to repeal the Tippling Law,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 119, to amend the act of 1827, chapter 54,

Was taken up.

Mr. Cox offered an amendment providing that the land shall be sold in the county where located.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was rejected.

Bill, No. 123, to repeal a portion of the 3d section of an act, passed 8th February, 1854, chapter 131, and for other purposes,

Was taken up.

Mr. Bobo moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

Upon which motion, Mr. Dunnington called for the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—39.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Brien, Brown of Madison, Cook, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, and Wilson of Carroll—29.

The motion prevailed, and the bill was indefinitely postponed. Mr. Tipton, by leave, withdrew Bill, No. 136, for amendment.

Mr. Newman, by leave, withdrew Bill, No. 125, for amendment.

Mr. Kinney, by leave, withdrew Bill, No. 142, for amendment.

Bill, No. 124, to increase the Common School Fund,

Was taken up.

On motion of Mr. Runnels,

The House adjourned till 2½ o'clock, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that bills of the following numbers and titles, were correctly engrossed :
 . Bill, No. 275, to charter the Shelbyville University of the Tennessee Conference ;

Bill, No. 347, for the improvement of Emery River.

Mr. Meek introduced Bill, No. 376, to amend an act entitled

An act to charter the Cincinnati, Cumberland Gap, and Charleston Railroad Company ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

The House resumed the unfinished business of the morning.

Bill, No. 124, to increase the Common School Fund, and for other purposes,

Was taken up.

Mr. Tipton moved

To strike out the clause creating the office of Superintendent.

Mr. Cavitt moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

Upon which motion, Mr. Runnels demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—37.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carlock, Cook, Cowden, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Little, Looney, Mabry, Mathis, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Temple, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—33.

Mr. Thomas entered a motion to reconsider the vote indefinitely postponing the bill.

Mr. Stovall moved

To take up the motion.

Mr. Thomas withdrew the motion.

Mr. Thomas renewed his motion to reconsider the vote indefinitely postponing the bill.

Mr. Fielder moved

To take up the motion.

The motion prevailed.

Upon the question of reconsideration, Mr. Dortch called for the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carlock, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Little, Looney, Mabry, Mathis, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Smith, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—44.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Gallaway, Gilbert, Kinney, Massengill, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Richey, Shemwell, Stovall, Travis, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—26.

The motion to reconsider prevailed.

Mr. Runnels obtained leave to withdraw the bill for amendment.

Bill, No. 115, for the relief of Thos. Shelton, and for other purposes, .

Was taken up.

Mr. Nixon moved

That the bill be amended so that the Commissioners of the Capitol pay the salary instead of the State Treasurer.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Cobb,

The House adjourned till to-morrow morning, 9½ o'clock.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 5, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Nixon, from the Committee on Claims, reported on Bill, No. 143, to reduce the price of Public Printing,

And recommended its passage.

Also, Bill, 352, for the relief of J. W. Graham, and others,
And recommened its rejection;

Also, on the Petition praying an appropriation to Sneed Harris;

And reported a Bill, No. 377, for the relief of Sneed Harris;

Which passed its first reading.

Mr. Massengill introduced Bill, No. 378, making an appropriation for the building of a bridge across Holston River, wherever the Blountsville, Middletown, and Elizebethton Turnpike road crosses said river.

Mr. Armstrong presented a memorial from Charles F. Fisher, in relation to a painting of the battle of New Orleans, executed by said Fisher, accompanaied by documents;

Which were referred to the Committee on the Capitol.

Mr. Shemwell introduced Bill, No. 379, regulating the tax on slaves;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Tipton returned Bill, No. 136, to repeal all acts creating the office of Railroad Commissioner.

Mr. Cook introduced Bill, No. 380, to amend the act passed February 11. 1852, entitled An act to establish a System of Internal Improvements in this State, and the various acts amendatory thereto;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Tipton introduced Bill, No. 381, to enable citizens of Johnson county to construct a road across Doe and Holston Mountains;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Holmes introduced Bill, No. 382, to amend the charter of the city of Memphis;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Dortch withdrew Bills, Nos. 205 and 349, and introduced bill in lieu of both said bills, and took the place of bill 205, on the calendar.

Mr. Dunnington introduced Bill, No. 383, to amend the Internal Improvement Acts of 1852-4;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Holmes obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 278, and instituted Bill, No. 383, in its place.

Bill, No. 116, to amend the practice in the trial of criminal causes, and for other purposes,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 117, to provide for the erection of Statues of General Washington, General Jackson and James K. Polk,

Was taken up.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, moved

That the bill be made the special order for Friday, December 7, at 11 o'clock, A.M.

The motion prevailed.

Bill, No. 128, to provide for the punishment of persons interfering with trains on railroads,

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill, No. 130, to protect owners of land sold for taxes,

Was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Bill, No. 131, guaranteeing the payment of certain bonds issued and to be issued by the city of Memphis,

Was taken up.

Mr. Holmes moved

That the Bill be made the special order for Saturday, December 8, 1855, at 10 o'clock, A. M.;

The motion prevailed.

Bill, No. 132, to amend the charter of the Nashville and Middle Franklin Turnpike Company.

Passed second reading.

Mr. Rudd, by leave, finally withdrew Bill, No. 269, to change the Supreme Court from Jackson to Trenton.

Bill, No. 133, to elect the President of the Bank of Tennessee, and for other purposes,

Was rejected.

Bill, No. 135, for the benefit of Administrators and Executors,

Was taken up.

Mr. Dunnington offered an amendment;

Which was adopted.

The bill passed second reading.

Bill, No. 136, to repeal all acts creating the office of Railroad Commissioners.

Was taken up.

Mr. Newman moved

Its indefinite postponement.

On motion of Mr. Dunnington,

The House adjourned till 2½ o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Snodgrass introduced Resolution, No. 110, as follows :

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That the Commissioners appointed to examine the Bank of Tennessee, at Nashville, shall have power to appoint a clerk to enter the result of their examination.

Resolved further, that for the purpose of explaining the 4th article of the resolution appointing a committee to investigate the Bank of Tennessee and Branches, the Commissioners shall not be required to give "table or schedule of notes or bills under discount," which they may deem good; and the Cashier of the mother Bank shall inform the Commissioners appointed for the branches, immediately of the provisions of this resolution.

On motion of Mr. Snodgrass,

The rule was suspended, and the resolution adopted.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

The immediate transmission of the resolution to the Senate;

Which motion prevailed, and the transmission was ordered by the House.

The House then resumed the unfinished business of the morning, being Bill, No. 136, to repeal all laws creating the office of Railroad Commissioner.

On motion to postpone the bill indefinitely, Mr. Tipton, demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Kinney, Mabry, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Richey, Shemwell, Travis, Wallace, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—32.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Brazelton, Brien, Bullen, Campbell, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Little,

Massengill, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—39.

The motion to indefinitely postpone the bill failed.

Mr. Tipton called the previous question ;

Which call was sustained by the House.

On the passage of the bill, Mr. Cavitt, demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes--Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Brazelton, Brien, Campbell, Colquet, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Fort, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Little, Massengill, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—30.

Noes--Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Wallace, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—39.

The bill was rejected.

Mr. Temple, by leave of the House, introduced Bill, No. 383½,

To amend the law relative to the sale of land by virtue of executions issued by Justices of the Peace ;

Which was read first time and passed.

Mr. Davie, by leave of the House, presented a petition from the Clarksville and Hopkinsville Turnpike Company, praying permission to change the location of their first toll-gate, and for certain other amendments to their charter.

And, also, introduced Bill, No. 384,

For the benefit of the Clarksville and Hopkinsville Turnpike Company ;

Which was read the first time and passed ; and, together with the petition of the Clarksville and Hopkinsville Turnpike Company, referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Bill, No. 137, was passed over informally, on account of the absence of its author.

Bill, No. 139, to authorize the President and Directors of the Bank of Tennessee to appoint an additional Director,

Was taken up, read the second time and passed.

Mr. Myatt, obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 139, for amendment.

Bill, No. 141, to amend the Common School laws of the State,

Was taken up, read the second time and passed.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

I am directed immediately to inform the House of Representa-

tives that the Senate has rejected House Resolution, No. 110, additional to, and explanatory of, Senate Resolution, No. 39, appointing Commissioners to investigate the Bank of Tennessee and branches.

And the same is herewith returned.

The Senate has passed on third reading, Senate Bill, No. 99, entitled A bill to amend the act of January 22, 1852, entitled An act to authorize and regulate county subscriptions to railroad stock.

And I have been directed to immediately transmit the same to the House of Representatives for their action.

Bill, No. 143, to reduce the price of Public Printing,

Was taken up, and, pending the discussion upon which,

Mr. Carlock moved

That the House adjourn till Friday morning, 9½ o'clock, in order to afford the members an opportunity of observing the day set apart by the Governor of the State as a day of Public Thanksgiving.

The motion prevailed.

FRIDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 7, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Massengill introduced Bill, No. 385,

To incorporate the town of Bristol, in Sullivan county ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. Dortch introduced Bill, No. 386,

To prevent railroad companies from running cars in this State on Sunday ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Burch introduced Bill, No. 387,

For the relief of Jesse Locke ;

Which passed first reading, and, together with the petition on same subject, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Davie introduced Bill, No. 388,

To amend an act called An act better to secure the rights of Tobacco Planters ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures.

Mr. Carlock introduced Bill, No. 389,

To incorporate the Citico Mining Company, and for other purposes ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. Pope introduced Bill, No. 390,

To amend an act to authorize the extension of the Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company, passed 22^d February, 1854, chapter 311 ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Fielder introduced Bill, No. 391, to amend the Internal Improvement Act, and preserve the credit of the State ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Algee asked and obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 189, and substituted a bill in its place, entitled A bill compelling free persons of color to remove to Liberia.

Mr. White introduced Bill, No. 392, to transfer the State Stock in the East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad to the Knoxville and Kentucky Railroad Company ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Cobb introduced Bill, No. 393, to change the time of holding the Circuit Courts in the counties of Meigs and Polk, in the third Judicial Circuit in the State of Tennessee ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Travis offered a Resolution, No. 111, as follows :

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That a committee of three, on the part of the House, be appointed to act with such committee as may be appointed by the Senate, to examine the Hermitage property, and report at as early a day as practicable the value of said property ; and also, to ascertain what 400 acres of said estate can be bought for, including the buildings, garden, and orchard ; and that the committee have leave of absence to perform said duty.

On motion of Mr. Travis,

The rule was suspended, and the resolution adopted and ordered to be transmitted at once to the Senate.

The unfinished business of Wednesday was resumed, being Bill, No. 143, to reduce the price of Public Printing.

Mr. Newman moved

Its indefinite postponement ;

Upon which motion Mr. Bullen demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Cavitt, Colquet, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Kimble, Little, Mabry, Newman, Nixon, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Shemwell, Temple, Tompkins Travis, Watkins, White, Whiteside, Wilson of

Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—31.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Cloud, Cobb, Davie, Easterly, Fielder, Gilbert, Holmes, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Richey, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Wallace, Welcker, and Mr. Speaker Brown—33.

The motion failed.

Upon the passage of the bill, Mr. Wood, of Cannon, called the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Davie, Easterly, Fielder, Gilbert, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Wallace, Welcker, and Mr. Speaker Brown—34.

Noes—Messrs. Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Kimble, Mabry, Newman, Nixon, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Shemwell, Temple, Tompkins, Travis, Watkins, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—33.

The Bill passed second reading.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, moved

To take up the motion to reconsider the vote adopting the bill in lieu of Bills, Nos. 85 and 87, to establish a conventional interest.

The House refused to reconsider the vote adopting the bill in lieu.

Mr. Bullen moved

Its indefinite postponement.

Pending discussion on which motion,

On motion of Mr. Fielder,

The House adjourned till 2½ o'clock, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The unfinished business of the morning was resumed.

Upon the question of indefinite postponement of the bill, Mr. Cavitt called for the ayes and noes.

Mr. Bullen withdrew the motion to indefinitely postpone.

Mr. Tipton offered an amendment, providing that money loaned

under this act shall be taxed one per cent. on each hundred dollars for each per centum added, until the per centum amount to fifteen per cent., and all money loaned at fifteen per cent., shall pay thirty per cent. on each hundred dollars, and all money raised by this act shall be added to the Common School Fund.

Mr. Bullen offered an amendment, providing that hereafter if any person, directly or indirectly, on any evidences of debt, receive a greater rate of interest than six per cent., shall forfeit the principal and all the interest that may be claimed, and the fund applied to the Common School Fund of the State.

Mr. Newman offered several verbal amendments to the bill.

Mr. Meek offered an amendment in lieu of the bill and amendment, as follows :

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That, from and after the 15th day of February next, it shall be an indictable offence for any person in this State to receive a greater amount of interest on money loaned, than six per centum per annum ; and all persons indicted for this offence shall, on conviction thereof, forfeit the legal amount of interest to the State Treasury, to be added to the General School Fund of the State, and shall not recover from the borrower any thing but the principal of the sum loaned.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To lay Mr. Meek's amendment on the table ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Rudd called for the previous question.

The House refused to sustain the call.

Mr. Cox moved

To lay the amendment of Mr. Tipton on the table.

Upon which motion, Mr. Tipton called for the ayes and noes,

Which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Cavitt, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Gilbert, Gleaves, Holmes, Little, Looney, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pope, Runnels, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Har-
deman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—39.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Gallaway, Donelson, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Hatton, Kimble, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Northcutt, Pogue, Richey, Rudd, Tipton, Travis, Wallace, and Watkins—29.

The motion prevailed, and the amendment was laid on the table.

The bill was amended, in accordance with Mr. Newman's motion, except to strike out the last section of the bill.

Mr. Cavitt called for the previous question.

The call was sustained.

On the passage of the bill, Mr. Stovall called for the ayes and noes ;

Which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Cavitt, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Gilbert, Gleaves, Holmes, Little, Looney, Newman, Parks, Pope, Runnels, Thomas, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Harde-
mae, and Mr. Speaker Brown—28.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Brazelton, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Donelson, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Hatton, Kimble, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, White, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—41.

The bill was rejected.

Mr. Tompkins asked leave of absence for Mr. Runnels, until Tuesday morning ;

Which was granted.

Mr. Looney moved

A suspension of the special order of the day, and that it be made the special order for Wednesday next, at 10 o'clock.

The motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Looney,

Senate Bill, No. 99, to authorize and regulate county subscription to railroad stock,

Was taken up.

Mr. Dunnington offered an amendment ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Smith moved

To except the county of McNairy.

Mr. Newman moved

To except the county of Franklin.

Mr. Galbreath moved

To except the county of Jackson.

Mr. Fielder moved

To except the county of Dyer.

Mr. Harris called the previous question.

The call was sustained.

The bill passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Parks moved

To reconsider the vote referring the bill.

The motion prevailed, and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Mr. Temple entered a motion to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 85, to establish a conventional interest.

Mr. Gilbert asked and obtained leave to withdraw a motion he had entered, to reconsider the vote adopting Bill, No. 151, to amend an act entitled

An act to charter the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company, and the several acts amending said act, passed by the Legislatures of Kentucky and Tennessee.

On motion of Mr. Newman,

The House adjourned till to-morrow morning, 9½ o'clock.

SATURDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 8, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Brien presented a communication from E. M. Patterson, of Cannon, in regard to ceding a part of Cannon to DeKalb county ;

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. Davie presented a petition from the Directors of the Clarksville and Russellville Turnpike Company, in relation to their toll gates.

Referred to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. Shemwell introduced Bill, No. 395, for the relief of R. T. Daniel, of Stewart county ;

Which passed first reading, and, with accompanying certificates, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, presented a petition from A. Y. Aikin, W. Talfour, and Geo. H. Harris, in relation to holding of the Circuit Courts ;

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. Holmes, from the Committee on State Capitol, reported on the memorials of Chas. F. Fisher, and others, and recommended the rejection of the prayer therein contained.

Mr. Tompkins asked and obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 147, and substitute in its place another bill to amend the revenue law.

The bill in lieu was adopted.

Mr. White introduced Bill, No. 396, to extend and define the corporate limits of the city of Knoxville ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Ball offered a Resolution, No. 112, as follows :

Whereas, During the present session of this General Assembly, a resolution was adopted instructing our Senators, and requesting our Representatives in Congress, to procure an extension of the Bounty Land act of 1855, so as to include the Tennessee volunteers called out in 1836 ; and whereas, in the year of 1838, there were divers companies of volunteers called out to assist in the re-

removal of the Cherokee Indians, for whom the Bounty Land Act of 1855 makes no provision ; therefore,

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That our Senators be instructed, and our Representatives requested, that if they can succeed in the passage of an act extending the benefits of the Bounty Land Act of 1855 to the Tennessee volunteers in 1836, to include the volunteers of 1838, who were called out and assisted in the removal of the Cherokee Indians, aforesaid, to an equal participation in the benefits of said bounty land law.

Resolved further, that His Excellency, the Governor of this State of Tennessee, be requested to furnish a copy of this resolution to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

Mr. Ball moved

That the rule be suspended.

The motion prevailed, and the resolution was adopted.

The House then proceeded to the consideration of the special order of the day, being

Bill, No. 131, guaranteeing the payment by the State of certain bonds issued, and to be issued, by the city of Memphis.

Mr. Holmes moved

To amend the last proviso proposed by the Committee, giving to the the State of Tennessee a prior lien upon the fixtures, iron, and equipments of the road ;

Which was adopted.

The first amendment, providing that the Memphis and Little Rock Railroad Company shall first endorse and guarantee the payment of said bonds, and the interest thereon,

Was adopted.

The second amendment, providing that the city of Memphis shall first, by its proper authorities, execute a mortgage giving to the State of Tennessee a priority of lien on the stock and interest of said city in said Railroad Company ; and provided further, that the said Railroad Company shall give to the State of Tennessee a prior lien on its iron and equipments,

Was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Cox,

The House adjourned till 10 o'clock, Monday morning.

MONDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 10, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Brown of Madison, from the Committee on Internal Improvements, reported as follows :

On Bill, No. 278, to amend the Internal Improvement Acts of 1852-4, and recommended that the third, fourth and fifth sections be stricken out, and, thus amended, pass.

On Bill, No. 376, to amend an act entitled An act to charter the Cincinnati, Cumberland Gap, and Charleston Railroad Company.

The Committee recommend a section in lieu of second section, and, thus amended, that the bill pass.

Bill, No. 384, for the benefit of the Clarksville and Hopkinsville Turnpike Company,

And recommend its passage.

On Bill, No. 386, to prevent railroad companies in this State from running engines and cars on Sunday,

And recommend its rejection.

On Bill, No. 391, to amend the Internal Improvement Act, and to preserve the credit of the State,

And recommend its passage.

On Bill, No. 392, to transfer the State stock in the East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad Company to the Knoxville and Kentucky Railroad Company,

And recommend its passage.

Respectfully submitted,

H. BROWN,

Chairman Com. on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that Bill, No. 151, to amend an act to charter the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company, and the several acts amending said act, passed by the Legislatures of Kentucky and Tennessee,

Was correctly engrossed.

Mr. Armstrong introduced Bill, No. 397,

To amend an act to charter the Sevier Turnpike Road, and to grant State aid thereto ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Campbell introduced Bill, No. 398,

To authorize certain counties to take stock in railroads, and to issue bonds for the same ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Thomas presented a petition from citizens of Haywood, Madison, Gibson and Dyer, in relation to the county of Crockett ;

Also, a Bill, No. 399,

To establish a Criminal and Commercial Court at Cageville, Haywood county ;

Which passed first reading, and, with the petition, was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Wallace presented a petition from citizens of Anderson county, praying for the establishment of a Chancery Court at Clinton ;

Which was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Harris offered Resolution, No. 113, as follows :

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be instructed to draw up a bill, showing the mileage and per diem allowance of the members of the House of Representatives.

The resolution was laid over under the rule.

On motion of Mr. Meek,

The regular order was suspended, and

Bill, No. 376, to amend an act entitled an act to charter the Cincinnati, Cumberland Gap, and Charleston Railroad Company,

Was taken up.

The amendment proposed by the Committee on Internal Improvements was adopted, and the bill passed second reading.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has passed on third reading House bills as follows, and the same are herewith transmitted for enrollment :

No. 7, to regulate subscriptions to railroad stock in the counties of Gibson, Haywood, and Henry.

No. 35, to repeal the act declaring the north fork of Obion River navigable.

No. 69, for the benefit of James McGhee.

No. 71, to amend an act incorporating the town of Williamsport, in the county of Maury.

The Senate has adopted House Resolution, No. 111, appointing a joint select committee to visit the Hermitage, and ascertain at what price four hundred acres of that property can be purchased for.

And the Speaker of the Senate has appointed Messrs. Carter, Atkins, and Johnson, as a committee on the part of the Senate under said resolution.

The Senate has adopted House Resolution, No. —, providing for an adjournment of this General Assembly on the 24th inst., after amending the same by striking out the 24th, and inserting the 22d.

The Senate has concurred in House amendment to Senate Bill, No. 19, entitled

A bill to establish a Common Law Court west of Reel Foot Lake, in Obion county ;

And the same has been ordered to be enrolled.

The Senate has passed on third and last reading Senate bill, No. 69, entitled

A bill to charter the Alexandria and Rome Turnpike Company ;
And the same is herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has also adopted Senate Resolution, No. 52, requesting information from His Excellency, the Governor, in regard to the State's interest in the various internal improvement companies in this State ;

And the same is herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives.

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled act, entitled
An act, to amend the act incorporating the town of Winchester ;
And Enrolled Resolution, requesting an appropriation from the National Treasury, or a donation of public lands, for the purpose of leveeing the Mississippi River from Hickman, in Kentucky, to the mouth of Wolfe River, in Tennessee ;

And the same are herewith transmitted for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The unfinished business of Saturday was taken up, being Bill, No. 131, guaranteeing the payment by the State of certain bonds issued, and to be issued, by the city of Memphis.

Mr. Dunnington discussed the measure at length, in opposition.

On motion of Mr. Looney,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Speaker announced, as a Committee on the part of the House, to examine the Hermitage, &c., Messrs. Travis, Hatton, and Meek.

The unfinished business of the morning was resumed.

After discussion by Messrs. Hatton and Meek,

Mr. Donelson offered the following amendment to the bill :

Sec. —. Be it further enacted, That the State of Tennessee guarantee by the endorsement of the Governor, the bonds issued by the County Courts of Sumner and Davidson counties to the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company, amounting to three hundred thousand dollars each.

Mr. Cox moved

That the amendment be laid on the table.

Mr. Hatton moved

That the House adjourn till to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock,

Which motion prevailed.

TUESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 11, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, presented a petition from citizens of Cannon, protesting against any change in their county line ;

Which was referred to the Committee on New Counties and County Lines.

Mr. Cox presented a petition from citizens of Western Davidson county in relation to grading Robertson's Hill on Charlotte Turnpike ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. Davie, from the Committee on Banks, reported on Bill, No. 294, to charter the Jonesborough Bank,

And recommended several amendments, and the passage of the bill, so amended.

On Bill, No. 140, to amend the act passed February 12, 1852, entitled

An act to authorize and regulate the business of banking,
And recommended its rejection.

On Bill, No. 68, to amend the Free Banking Law,

And recommend various amendments to the bill, and its passage, thus amended.

Mr. Harris introduced Bill, No. 400, to incorporate the Holston Female College at Jonesboro, in East Tennessee ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Ward introduced Bill, No. 401, to amend an act entitled

An act to charter the Carthage, Alexandria and Red Sulphur Springs Turnpike Company, and for other purposes ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Also, Bill, No. 402, to charter the Clinton College and Mulherrin Turnpike Company ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Ball introduced Bill, No. 403, for the benefit of the Rogersville and Jefferson Railroad Company ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

Mr. SPEAKER :

I am directed immediately to transmit the accompanying communication from the Commissioners appointed by a Resolution of this General Assembly to investigate the condition of the Bank of

Tennessee at Nashville, tendering their resignation of the office named.

I also herewith transmit a Memorial (No. 30) from citizens of Gibson county, praying for the repeal of all laws declaring the Forked Deer River navigable;

And a Memorial from citizens of Lauderdale county, (No. 31) asking for more stringent laws for the punishment of slaves found guilty of burning cotton-gins and other out-houses.

I also herewith transmit Senate Bill, No. 66, entitled

A bill to incorporate the Jackson Building and Loan Association Company;

Which has passed three several readings in the Senate, and has been ordered to be immediately transmitted.

The House then proceeded to the consideration of the unfinished business, being Bill, No. 131, guaranteeing the payment by the State of certain bonds issued and to be issued by the city of Memphis.

The motion of Mr. Cox,

To lay the amendment of Mr. Donelson on the table,
Prevailed.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20

The amendment was laid on the table.

The measure was discussed at length by Messrs. Looney, Travis and Holmes.

Mr. Shemwell offered an amendment, giving State aid to all the Iron Works in Stewart county who ask it, by endorsing their notes or bonds to the amount of one hundred thousand dollars each, so as to enable them to hire negroes and carry on their establishments for the year 1856; provided, therefore, that all Furnaces or Iron Works asking State aid shall give a lien on said Furnace and lands to secure the State in her endorsement on the bonds.

On motion of Mr. Stovall,

The House adjourned till 2½ o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Snodgrass,

The regular order was suspended.

Mr. Snodgrass, offered a Resolution, No. 140, as follows:

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That a Committee of two be appointed by the House to act with such Committee as may be appointed by the Senate to investigate the Bank of Tennessee, upon the principles laid down in the resolution, passed at the present session of the General Assembly, omitting such items as they may not deem important, and that said Committee have authority to appoint a clerk to aid them in their labors.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

A suspension of the rule.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Parks offered an amendment as follows :

Resolved, further, that the Committees appointed to investigate the Branch Banks, have until 1st January, 1856. to make their reports, and that the Governor notify the Commissioners thereof.

The amendments offered by Mr. Parks

Was laid on the table, on the motion of Mr. Snodgrass.

Mr. Dunnington moved

That the resolution be amended, by striking out that part authorizing the employment of a clerk, and adding, that said committee may be composed of persons not members of the General Assembly.

The motion failed.

Mr. Nixon moved

To strike out "two" and insert "five."

The motion failed.

Mr. Stovall moved

To so amend that the clerk employed shall receive \$4 per day.

The amendment was accepted.

Mr. Nixon moved

To strike out "two" and insert "three."

The motion prevailed.

Thus amended, the resolution

Was adopted.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

That the resolution be transmitted to the Senate without delay.

The motion prevailed.

The House then proceeded to the consideration of the unfinished business, being Bill, No. 131, guaranteeing the payment by the State of certain bonds issued and to be issued by the city of Memphis.

Mr. Tipton offered an amendment as follows :

Be it further enacted, that the bonds of the city of Memphis that this act authorizes the Governor to endorse, shall not mature until the day of judgment.

Mr. Taylor offered an amendment, as follows :

Provided that the city bonds of Memphis, when endorsed by the

State of Tennessee, shall not be sold for a less value than the State bonds now issued and provided for by the State.

The amendment of Mr. Taylor was accepted by Mr. Holmes.

The bill was further discussed by Messrs. Holmes and Brown, of Davidson.

When, on motion of Mr. Newman,

The House adjourned till 9½ o'clock, to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 12, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, presented a petition of 129 citizens of Cannon county, praying protection of their territorial limits;

Which was referred to the Committee on New Counties and County Lines.

Mr. Armstrong presented an invitation on the part of C. Wallace, President of the East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad Company, on behalf of said company, to enjoy the privileges of said road during the session of the Legislature.

Mr. Armstrong moved

That the thanks of the House be also tendered to the President and officers of the company, and that the invitation be accepted.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Stovall moved

That the thanks of the House be tendered to the President and Directors of the Nashville and Chattanooga Railroad Company, for the invitation extended by them to the members of the House of Representatives.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that Bill, No. 7, to regulate subscription to Railroad Stock, in the counties of Gibson, Haywood, and Henry,

Bill, No. 35, to repeal the act declaring the North Fork of Obion River navigable,

Bill, No. 69, for the benefit of James McGhee,

Bill, No. 171, to amend an act incorporating the town of Williamsport, in the county of Maury,

Were correctly enrolled;

And that Resolution, No. 112, for the benefit of the Tennessee Volunteers of 1838,

And 114, providing for the appointment of a Joint Select Committee of the two Houses of the General Assembly, to investigate the Bank of Tennessee,

Were all correctly engrossed.

Mr. Burch introduced Bill, No. 404,
To charter the Masonic Educational Association of Chattanooga;
Which passed first reading.

Mr. Donelson introduced Bill, No. 405,
To incorporate the New Orleans and Ohio Telegraph Lessees;
Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee
on Incorporations.

Mr. Dunnington moved
To refer Bill, No. 249½, to amend the charter of the Columbia
and Hampshire Turnpike Company, to the Committee on Public
Roads and Highways.

The bill passed first reading, and the motion of Mr. Dunnington
prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Cloud,
The regular order was suspended, and Bill, No. 376, to amend an
act entitled An act to charter the Cincinnati, Cumberland Gap and
Charleston Railroad Company,

Was taken up, and passed its third reading—

Mr. Dunnington having called for the ayes and noes; which
were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Brazelton, Bullen, Burch,
Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet,
Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Easterly, Fort,
Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry,
Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue,
Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas,
Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside,
Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Mr. Speaker Brown—55.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gilbert,
Kimble, Mathis, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Wood of Can-
non, and Wood of Hardeman—13.

Mr. Davie moved
To take up Bill No. 332, to amend and reduce into one, the va-
rious acts relating to the charter of the town of Clarksville.

The motion failed.

Mr. Cavitt entered a motion to reconsider the vote passing Bill,
No. 376.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the unfinished busi-
ness of yesterday, being Bill, No. 131, guaranteeing the payment
by the State of certain bonds issued and to be issued by the City of
Memphis.

A message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker. their
Clerk, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has rejected on its third reading, House Bill, No. 16,
entitled A bill to regulate and establish uniform rules of costs, and
for other purposes;

And the same is herewith returned.

The Senate has also passed on third and last reading, House Bills as follows ; and the same are herewith transmitted for enrollment :

No. 38, A bill to amend an act entitled An act to enable all persons charged with the assets of an estate to have the evidences of payment by them perpetuated, and for other purposes.

No. 66, A bill providing for the manner of holding elections in the City of Nashville.

No. 27, A bill to repeal the proviso to the third section of an act passed 10th of February, 1854.

No. 60, A bill to amend the act passed 1851, chapter 166.

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts as follows, and the same have been deposited with the Secretary of State :

To regulate subscriptions to railroad stock in the counties of Gibson, Haywood, and Henry.

To repeal the act declaring the North Fork of Obion River navigable.

An act for the benefit of James McGhee.

An act to amend an act incorporating the town of Williamsport in Maury county.

Pending the discussion on Bill, No. 131,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

A message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

I am directed immediately to transmit to the House of Representatives for their action, House Bill, No. 107, entitled A bill to charter the City Building and Loan Association of Nashville, which has been amended in the Senate, and passed three readings.

I am also directed immediately to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has adopted House Resolution, No. 114, providing for the appointment of a joint select committee of the General Assembly to investigate the Bank of Tennessee, with an amendment ;

And the same is herewith transmitted for the action of the House.

The Speaker of the Senate has appointed as a committee under said resolution, on the part of the Senate,

Messrs. Steele and Carter.

The House resumed the unfinished business, being Bill No. 131

After lengthy debate,

Mr. Gleaves moved

An adjournment till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

The motion failed.

Mr. Tipton withdrew the amendment offered by him.

Mr. Harris called the previous question.

The call was sustained.

Upon the passage of the bill upon its second reading, the ayes and noes were called by Mr. Stovall.

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Brien, Burch, Carmichael, Cloud, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Easterly, Fort, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Temple, Wallace, Welcker, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—28.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Kimble, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—40.

The bill was rejected.

Mr. Cavitt asked and obtained leave to withdraw his motion, entered to reconsider the vote adopting Bill, No. 376, to amend an act entitled An act to charter the Cincinnati, Cumberland Gap, and Charleston Railroad Company.

Mr. Harris moved

That the bill be transmitted at once to the Senate.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. DeWitt moved

That the House adjourn till to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock.

Mr. Parks called for the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Burch, Carmichael, Cook, Cowden, Davie, DeWitt, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Newman, Nixon, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Temple, Ward, Welcker, White, and Whiteside—29.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cox, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown.—38.

The motion failed.

On motion of Mr. Bullen,

The House adjourned till 9½ o'clock, to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 13, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported on Bill, No. 376, to amend an act entitled An act to charter the Cincinnati, Cumberland Gap, and Charleston Railroad Company, as correctly engrossed ;

And that bills with the following numbers and titles were correctly enrolled, viz :

No. 38, to amend an act entitled An act to enable all persons charged with the assets of an estate to have the evidences of payment by them perpetuated, and for other purposes ;

No. 27, to repeal the proviso to the third section of an act passed 10th of February, 1854 ;

No. 60, to amend the act of 1851-2, chap. 161 ;

No. 66, providing for the manner of holding elections in the city of Nashville.

Mr. Bullen, from the Committee on Public Roads and Highways, reported on Bill, No. 249½, to amend the charter of the Columbia and Hampshire Turnpike Company, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Richey presented a memorial from the Trustees of the Female Branch of Oak Grove Academy, in Bradley county, and Cleaveland Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, No. 134 ;

Which was received and read.

Also, a Bill, No. 406, to amend an act passed 19th January, 1848, entitled An act to amend an act passed 16th December, 1837, entitled An act to incorporate the Oak Grove Academy, in the town of Cleaveland, in the county of Bradley ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Cox presented the report of the Special Committee of the Common Council of the city of Nashville, to the Legislature of Tennessee, on the Hospital ;

Which was received and read.

Mr. Shemwell presented three petitions from citizens of Stewart county, for the relief of Lizzy, Bob, Susan, Violet, Reynolds, Jacob, and Ellic, slaves of the late Wm. Crouse, of the county of Stewart ;

Which were referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Also, introduced Bill, No. 407, to amend an act entitled An act to regulate the emancipation of slaves, and to provide for the transportation of free persons of color to the western coast of Africa, passed 24th February, 1854 ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Davie presented a petition from citizens of Montgomery county, adverse to the petition of the Directors of the Clarks-ville and Hopkinsville Turnpike Company ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

On motion of Mr. Davie,

The bill on that subject and former petition were referred, together with the present petition, to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Easterly introduced Bill, No. 408, to Charter the Male and Female Standofer Creek Academy, in Marion county;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Education and Common Schools.

Mr. Newman introduced Bill, No. 409, to authorize the election of a Justice of the Peace at Allisonia, in Franklin county;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Runnels introduced Bill, No. 410, for the benefit of the Wartrace and Beech Grove Turnpike Company;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Ward introduced a bill in lieu of Bill, No. 201, to amend an act entitled

An act to secure the completion of turnpike roads in Smith, Wilson and Sumner counties, by State credit;

Which was adopted, and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

On motion of Mr. Stovall,

Senate Messages were taken up.

House Resolution, No. 114, providing for the appointment of a Joint Select Committee from the two Houses of the General Assembly, to investigate the Bank of Tennessee,

Was taken up.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

To amend so that the Commissioners for the Branch Banks make their reports in accordance with the Resolution under which they were appointed.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To lay Senate Messages on the table for the present.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To take up Senate's Message in relation to the final adjournment of the two Houses of the General Assembly;

Which motion failed.

On motion of Mr. Stovall,

The House then took up Senate's Messages in relation to general mess, and resumed the consideration of Resolution, No. 114.

Mr. Parks moved

That the House concur in the Senate's amendments.

Mr. Galbreath moved

To strike out "15th of January," and insert in lieu thereof "15th of March."

Mr. Dortch called for the previous question.

The call was sustained.

On the question, Shall the House concur in Senate's amendments? Mr. Gilbert called for the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27

In the affirmative—

Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Cloud, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Easterly, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, and Wilson of Carroll—40.

In the negative—

Messrs. Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Tipton, Travis, Wallace, Watkins, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—27.

The amendments were concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Parks,

The Clerk was directed to notify the Senate, at once, of the action of the House in the premises.

The Speaker appointed as Committee on the part of the House, to investigate the Bank of Tennessee, at Nashville, Messrs. Snodgrass, Wood, of Hardeman, and Welcker.

The resignation of the Commissioners appointed by the original Resolution, was read and accepted.

The memorial of citizens praying the repeal of all laws declaring the North Fork of Obion River navigable,

Was read and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

On motion of Mr. Parks,

The petition praying for the passage of more stringent laws for the punishment of negroes guilty of burning cotton-gins, was,

On motion of Mr. Thomas,

Laid on the table.

Senate Resolution, No. 52, requesting information of the Governor in relation to the interest of the State in the various internal improvement companies in this State,

Was adopted.

House Bill, No. 107, to charter the City Building and Loan Association of Nashville,

Was taken up.

Mr. Davie offered an amendment incorporating the New Providence Building Association, extending the same rights, powers, and liabilities thereto, as are granted to the City Building and Loan Association of Nashville;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Stovall moved

To reconsider the vote adopting the amendment of Mr. Davie.

The motion failed.

Mr. Meek offered an amendment incorporating the New Mark Building and Loan Association, and extending thereto all

rights, powers and privileges of the City Building and Loan Association.

Also incorporating the Dandridge Building and Loan Association, extending thereto all the provisions of the bill.

Mr. Bullen moved

To lay the amendment of Mr. Meek on the table.

The motion failed.

Mr. Bullen offered an amendment as follows :

Be it further enacted, That the charter of every corporation that may hereafter be granted by the Legislature, shall be subject to alteration, suspension, and repeal at the discretion of the Legislature, whenever the interest and welfare of the State manifestly require the same to be done, and not otherwise.

Be it enacted, That hereafter the individual property of all incorporated companies shall be liable for any debts or contingencies that may accrue against any corporation, in proportion to the amount of stock owned by such individual : Provided, this act shall not apply to railroad companies.

Mr. Davie moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

Upon which motion, Mr. Bullen demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Looney, Meek, Newman, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—43.

Noes—Messrs. Bullen, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, and Wilson of Marshall—24.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	43
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	24

The motion to lay on the table prevailed.

The amendment offered by Mr. Meek was adopted.

On the question of concurring in Senate's amendment, as amended, Mr. Bullen demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Fort, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Runnels, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Har-
deman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—46.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Donelson, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert

Massengill, Mathis, Nixon, Northcutt, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Travis, and Wilson of Marshall—22.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	46
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22

The amendments were concurred in.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Algee, on motion of Mr. Parks.

Senate Bill, No. 15, to suppress the circulation of small notes, passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Banks.

Senate Resolution, No. 49, to instruct our Senators in Congress, and request our Representatives, to aid in the passage of a bill granting a pension to the soldiers of the war of 1812, and of the various wars,

Was adopted.

Senate Resolution, No. 51, for the benefit of James D. Thompson, J. W. Carter, A. M. Savage, and W. Britton, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Senate Bill, No. 66, to incorporate the Jackson Building and Loan Association Company, passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 69, to charter the Alexandria and Rome Turnpike Company, passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

On motion of Mr. Gallaway,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Senate Bill, No. 73, to incorporate the Holston Conference Preachers' Aid Society, passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 77, to amend the charter of the United Firemen's Insurance Company of Nashville, passed 25th February, 1852, passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 83, to amend an act entitled

An act to incorporate the Mississippi River Levee Company, and the Forked Deer and Obion Levee Company, passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 89, to amend an act entitled

An act to incorporate the Hiwassee College, passed January 20, 1850, passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 95, to amend the charter of the Edgefield Bucket

and Broom Manufacturing Company, passed February 21, 1851, passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 98, to provide for the payment of certain State bonds, passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Méans.

On motion of Mr. Cox,

Senate Bill, No. 53, to amend the charter of the Edgefield and Kentucky Railroad Company,

Was taken up, read third time, and passed.

On motion of Mr. Rudd,

House Bill, No. 98, for the benefit of the Tennessee Western, and Charleston Railroad Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Bullen moved

To strike out the preamble.

The motion failed.

On its passage upon its third reading, Mr. Donelson called for the ayes and noes ;

Which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Galloway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—50.

Noes—Messrs. Brazelton, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Mathis, Pogue, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Tompkins, Travis, and Wood of Hardeman—15.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	50
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	15

The bill passed its third reading.

Mr. Kinney moved

That the bill be transmitted, at once, to the Senate.

The motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Looney,

Senate Bill, No. 99, to amend the act passed January 22, 1852, entitled

An act to authorize and regulate county subscriptions to railroad stock,

Was taken up and passed second reading.

Mr. Dortch moved

To take up Senate Bill, No. 60, to increase the salary of the Attorney General and Reporter of the State, and refer the same to the Committee on Judiciary.

The motion prevailed.

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The motion failed.

Mr. Galbreath moved

The motion prevailed.

To fill the blank with \$225.

To lay the motion on the table.

The blank was filled with \$225.

Mr. Galbreath called for the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Nixon, Northcutt, Richey, Smith, Tipton, and Wilson of Marshall—26.

Noes, - - - - - 26.

Mr. DeWitt asked and obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 233, to incorporate the Sumner, Lafayette, and Red Sulphur Springs Turnpike Company, and to secure its completion by State credit, for amendment.

Bill, No. 187, to incorporate the LaGrange Synodical College,
Was taken up, and passed third reading.

Bill, No. 260, to incorporate the Rotherwood Classical Seminary
in Hawkins county,

Mr. Ball moved

The motion prevailed,

On motion of Mr. Burch,

Bill, No. 404, to charter the Masonic Educational Association of Chattanooga,

Was taken up, and passed on second reading.

Mr. White asked leave of absence for Mr. Anderson Hill until Thursday next.

The motion was withdrawn by Mr. White ;

Was renewed by Mr. Newman,

And prevailed.

Mr. Galbreath moved

To take up Bill, No. 139.

The motion failed.

On motion of Mr. Fielder,

The House adjourned till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, MORNING DECEMBER 14, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Nixon, from the Committee on Claims, reported on Bill, No. 395, for the relief of R. T. Daniel, of the county of Stewart,

And recommended its passage.

And on Bill, No. 387, for the relief of Jesse Locke,

And recommended its rejection.

Mr. Newman, from the Special Committee to confer with Messrs. Meigs and Cooper, in relation to the rivisal of the Statute Laws of Tennessee, presented a report. [For whichs ee Appendix.]

Mr. Newman moved

To transmit the report to the Senate immediately.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that Bill, No. 332, to amend, and reduce into one, the various acts to charter the city of Clarksville,

Was correctly engrossed.

The Speaker presented a communication from the Commissioners to investigate the Rogersville Branch Bank, declining the performance of the duties assigned them.

The resignation was received,

And communication ordered to be transmitted to the Senate

Mr. Carlock presented a petition from citizens of McMinn, asking an alteration of the line between the counties of Polk and McMinn.

Also, introduced Bill, No. 411, to change the line of Polk and McMinn counties ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Massengill introduced Bill, No. 412, to authorize the quali-

fied voters of the second civil district, including the town of Bristol, in Lincoln county, to elect three Justices of the Peace.

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Burck introduced No. 413, to incorporate the Chattanooga Packing and Milling Company;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Bartlett introduced Bill, No. 414, to prescribe the mode of probating claims against deceased persons.

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Cavitt offered Resolution, No. 115, as follows:

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That the Joint Select Committee appointed to wait on Messrs. Meigs and Cooper, and ascertain what progress they have made in preparing a digest of the statutes of this State, be and they are hereby, requested to prepare and introduce a bill embodying the request of said Commissioners in relation to the printing of their report, &c.

On motion, the rule was suspended,

And resolution was adopted, and ordered to be transmitted to the Senate without delay.

Mr. Cloud introduced Bill, No. 415, to change the name of Ross Pressnell to that of Ross Hurst;

Which passed first reading.

Also, a communication from Leroy Hurst in relation to the subject of the bill.

Mr. Colburn introduced Bill, No. 416, asking for three thousand dollars for the common school of the 16th civil district of Blount county;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Also, presented a Petition from citizens of Blount county, praying for an appropriation of three thousand dollars to the school fund of townships 6 and 7, in said county.

Which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. DeWitt introduced Bill, No. 417, to amend the Criminal Law of this State;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Cook presented a memorial from Wm. McMahon, praying to be appointed watchman of the Capitol, during recess of the Legislature.

The memorial was referred the Committee on the Capitol.

Mr. Meek offered Resolution, No. 116, as follows:

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That Gen. William Brazelton, of the county of Jefferson, Col. Geo. Hall, of the county of Hawkins, and Robert Love, of the county of Carter, be appointed in the room and stead of the Commissioners heretofore appointed by this General Assembly, to investigate

the state and condition of the Branch Bank of the State of Tennessee, at Rogersville, and who have resigned; with the same powers, privileges and duties as were conferred on the former Commissioners; and be entitled to the same compensation for their services as such; and that it be the duty of the Governor to inform said Commissioners at his earliest convenience.

Mr. Harris moved

To suspend the rule requiring resolutions to lay on the table one day.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Looney moved

To strike out the Commissioners named in the resolution, and insert, in lieu of them, the Commissioners originally appointed.

The motion was ruled out of order.

Mr. Massengill moved

To strike out the name of Gen. Brazelton, and insert in lieu, the name of Dr. Robert Patton.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Pope moved

To lay the subject on the table.

The motion failed.

Mr. Ball moved

To strike out the name of General Brazelton and Dr. Patton, and insert, in lieu thereof, the name of Henry Watterson and J. H. Vance.

The motion prevailed.

The resolution, as thus amended, was adopted,

And on motion, was ordered to be transmitted to the Senate without delay.

Mr. Bartlett asked and obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 336, for amendment.

Mr. White moved.

To take up Bill, No. 396, to extend and define the corporate limits of Knoxville.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Newman moved

To amend the bill, so that the corporate limits should not be extended without the consent of a majority of the persons owning the property proposed to be taken in.

Mr. White moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Newman moved

To lay the bill on the table for the present.

The motion failed, and the bill passed second reading.

Mr. Travis moved

To take up Senate Bill, No. 61, to charter the I. O. O. F. College, at Paris.

The motion prevailed, and the bill passed third reading.

Mr. Harris moved

To take up Bill, No. 400, to incorporate the Holston Baptist Female Institute at Jonesboro', in East Tennessee.

The motion prevailed, and the bill passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Fort,

Bill, No. 368, to incorporate the Stewart College and Academy in the county of Montgomery,

Was taken up.

Mr. Cox moved

A non-concurrence in the report of the Committee on Education and Common Schools, which recommended the striking out of the fourth section of the bill.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To strike out that clause in the first section of the bill, which declares said academy to be The County Academy of Montgomery County.

The motion prevailed.

The bill then passed its second reading.

Mr. Nixon moved

To take up Bill, No. 223, directory to the Comptroller of the Treasury, for the benefit of Absalom Selcer.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Nixon offered an amendment, directing the Comptroller to issue his warrant to Wm. Chaffin, late Sheriff of Lawrence County, for the sum of twenty dollars, the amount of expense incurred in conveying Jos. H. Turnboro from the jail in Lawrence County, to the town of Newburg, in the county of Lewis.

The amendment was adopted, and the bill passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Pope,

Bill, No. 252, for the relief of A. H. Nail, Tax Collector of Bledsoe County, and for other purposes,

Was taken up, and passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Kinney,

Bill, No. 211, to amend the first section of the act of 1850, chapter 103, passed 8th February,

Was taken up, passed second reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

On motion of Mr. Meek,

Bill, No. 279, authorizing the election of a magistrate in the town of Dandridge,

Was taken up, and passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Stovall,

Bill No. 237, requiring railroad companies to drain the cuts on the side of railroads in this State,

Was taken up, the report of the Committee on Internal Improvements concurred in, and the bill passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Carlock,

Bill, No. 362, to incorporate Eureka College,

Was taken up.

Mr. Carlock moved

A non-concurrence in the report on Education and Common Schools, recommending that the fifth section of the bill be stricken out.

The motion prevailed, and the bill passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Galbreath,

Bill, No. 139, to authorize the President and Directors of the Bank of Tennessee to appoint an additional Director,

Was taken up.

The amendment offered by Mr. Myatt was concurred in, and the bill passed its third reading.

Mr. Pogue entered a motion,

To reconsider the vote rejecting bill, No. 131, guaranteeing the payment by the State of certain bonds issued, and to be issued, by the city of Memphis.

On motion of Mr. Rudd,

The House adjourned till 2½ o'clock this afternoon

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Shemwell,

Bill, No. 379, to regulate tax on slave,

Was taken up.

Mr. Travis moved

To strike out the last clause of the bill.

Mr. Shemwell withdrew the bill for amendment.

Mr. Galbreath moved

To proceed with the regular calendar of business.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Bartlett returned Bill, No. 336,

To amend the charter of the Memphis and Somerville Turnpike Company.

Bill, No. 144, to change the name of Tazewell Academy,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 147, to amend the Revenue Laws,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 148, to amend the charter of the Strawberry Plains College,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 149, to amend the 15th section of an act passed 28th

of February, 1852, entitled An act to charter the Nashville, Franklin and Columbia Railroad Company,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 150, to incorporate the Nashville and Memphis U. S. Mail Packet Line, &c.,

Was taken up.

Mr. Holmes offered an amendment, incorporating the Memphis and New Orleans Steam Packet Company.

The amendment was adopted, and the bill passed second reading.

Bill, No. 155, to prevent incompetent persons from teaching free schools.

Mr. Holmes offered an amendment, providing for the manner of filling vacancies in commissioners.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Massengill offered an amendment, requiring the applicant for a certificate to pay one dollar for his examination.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Gleaves offered an amendment, making it the imperative duty of the County Court to appoint the Commissioner of examination ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Thomas offered an amendment, as follows :

Be it enacted further, That the School Commissioners of the respective school districts in this State, shall have the power to appropriate the entire school fund to the education of the indigent children, exclusively ; and they shall have power to select such children as they may think are embraced within the provisions of this section.

Mr. Thomas withdrew his amendment.

Mr. Brazelton offered an amendment, providing that this act shall not take effect until people are better educated.

The bill, as amended, passed second reading.

Bill, No. 157, for the benefit of owners of land sold for taxes and common schools, was withdrawn by Mr. Cobb, for amendment.

Bill, No. 159, to incorporate the Rosetta Mining and Smelting Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Bullen offered an amendment, providing that the individual property shall be liable for any debts that the corporation may contract, in proportion to the amount of stock vested.

Mr. White moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

Upon which motion, Mr. Bullen called for the ayes and noes ;

Which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Carlock, Cobb, Cook, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Loo-
ney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Thomas,

Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—32.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Kimble, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Watkins, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—27.

The motion prevailed, and the amendment was laid on the table.

The report of the Committee was concurred in.

The bill passed second reading.

Mr. Holmes moved

That the Bill, No. 117, providing for the erection of statues to General Washington and General Jackson, be made the special order for Tuesday next, 18th inst., at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Bill, No. 161, to provide for the widow and children,

Was taken up.

Mr. Cavitt offered a bill in lieu ;

Which was adopted.

The bill passed second reading.

Bill, No. 165, to authorize John A. Rhodes to hawk and peddle.

Mr. Mathis offered an amendment, providing that Daniel Mills, of Dickson county, have the same rights and privileges.

Mr. Nixon offered an amendment, providing that the provisions of this act shall extend to all persons in this State similarly situated.

Pending debate on which,

The House adjourned till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 15, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Leave of absence was granted to Messrs. Little, Campbell, and Mabry.

Mr. Donelson, from the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures, reported on Bill, No. 29, in relation to tobacco inspectors, and recommended its rejection.

Also, on Bill, No. 388, to amend an act called

An act better to secure the rights of tobacco planters, and recommended its passage in lieu of Bill, No. 29.

Mr. Gleaves introduced Bill, No. 418, to incorporate the Juliet High School, in Wilson county;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Stovall offered Resolution, No. 117, as follows:

Resolved, That there shall be no bills or resolutions of a general character taken up or acted on by this House, from the 22d of December to the 31st of December, 1855.

Mr. Stovall moved

A suspension of the rule.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Harris moved

To lay the resolution on the table.

The motion failed.

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Looney offered a memorial to Congress, and directory to our Senators and Representatives in Congress, in relation to a remission of the duties on railroad iron.

The Resolution, No. 118. was laid over under the rule.

Mr. Runnels returned Bill, No. 124, to increase the Common School Fund, and for other purposes.

Mr. Donelson moved

A reconsideration of the vote passing Senate Bill, No. 53, to amend the charter of the Edgefield and Kentucky Railroad Company:

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Donelson offered an amendment:

Be it further enacted, That the Edgefield and Kentucky Railroad Company shall, in like manner, be bound with the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company to cross the Cumberland River at Nashville, subject to the same provisions, liabilities and restrictions contained in the amended charter of said Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company.

The amendment was adopted, and

The bill, as amended, passed third reading.

Mr. Burch, from the Judiciary Committee, reported on Bill, No. 25, to reduce the Circuit Courts to two terms in each year, and reported a bill in lieu, embracing a schedule of times for holding the various Circuit Courts, and recommended its adoption in lieu of Bill, No. 25, and urged the passage of the bill in lieu.

The unfinished business of yesterday was taken up, being

Bill, No. 165, to authorize John A. Rhodes to hawk and peddle.

The amendment offered by Mr. Mathis

Was adopted.

The amendment offered by Mr. Nixon,

Under consideration,

Mr. Brien moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill and amendments.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Welcker moved

To take up Resolution, No. 107.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To take up all resolutions on the table, under the rule.

The motion prevailed.

Resolution, No. 107, for the relief of the people of the first fractional township, first range East of the Meridian, in Hiwassee district, was adopted.

Resolution, No. 103, in relation to the nullification of the fugitive slave law, by certain Northern States,

Was taken up.

Mr. Tipton offered an amendment as follows :

Be it further enacted, That the provisions of the above resolution shall be applicable to the States that sent delegates to the celebrated Disunion Convention, that met in the city of Nashville in 1851.

Mr. Galbreath moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Harris offered an amendment as follows :

Resolved, That this resolution does not apply to those National Democrats and National Whigs who have ever stood by the South and the Constitution in the fiercest struggles to preserve the Union.

The amendment was accepted by Mr. Cavitt.

Mr. Tipton offered an amendment as follows :

Be it further Resolved, That it is the opinion of this General Assembly that the State of Massachusetts has nullified the laws of the General Government, and that she has no right to representation in the Congress of the United States ; and we hereby instruct our Senators in Congress, and request our Representatives, to use all lawful means in their power to eject the Senators and Representatives in Congress from the State of Massachusetts from their seats, until the General Assembly of the State of Massachusetts shall repeal the law, that nullifies the law of the General Government.

Mr. Nixon moved

To lay the resolution and amendment on the table.

Upon which motion, Mr. Galbreath called for the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Cook, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Holmes, Looney, Meek, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—31.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Pope, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—34.

The motion failed.

Mr. Harris called for the previous question.

The call was sustained.

Upon the adoption of the resolution, the ayes and noes being demanded, were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Pope, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Tipton, Travis, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—34.

Noes.—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Bazelton, Brien, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Holmes, Looney, Meek, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—31.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31

The resolution was adopted.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :—

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts, as follows :
To repeal the proviso to the third section of an act, passed February 10, 1854, chapter 105.

An act to amend an act, entitled

An act to enable all persons charged with the assets of an estate to have the evidences of payment by them perpetuated, and for other purposes.

An act to amend an act, entitled

An act to amend the law in relation to the taking of depositions.

An act to change the manner of holding elections in the city of Nashville.

Also, the Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled Resolution, No. 114, providing for the appoinment of a Committee of the two Houses to investigate the Bank of Tennessee, providing a Clerk for said Committee, and providing that said Committee and the Commissioners heretofore appointed to investigate the condition of the Branches of said Bank shall have until the 15th of January next to report to the General Assembly ;

And the same has been deposited with the Secretary of State.

The Speaker of the Senate has signed Enrolled Act, entitled

An act to establish a Common Law and Criminal Court West of Reel Foot Lake, in Obion county ;

And the same is herewith transmitted for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has passed, on third and last reading, Senate Bills, as follows, and the same are herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives :

No. 70, A bill to incorporate the Murfreesboro' Building and Loan Association.

No. 116, A bill to consolidate the offices of Surveyor and Entry Taker in Hickman county.

No. 124, A bill to change the county line between the counties of Lewis and Maury.

The Senate has passed on third and last reading House Bill, No. 218, entitled A bill to amend an act, more effectually to secure the Common School Fund, chapter 54, act of 1843;

And the same is herewith transmitted for enrollment.

The Senate has passed on third and last reading, House Bill, No. 151, entitled A bill to amend an act to charter the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company, and the several acts amending said act, passed by the Legislatures of Kentucky and Tennessee, with sundry amendments;

And I have been directed immediately to transmit the same for the concurrence of the House of Representatives, which is herewith done.

On motion,

The House adjourned till half-past 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Nixon offered Resolution, No. 119, as follows :

Whereas, The Congress of the United States in 1850 passed laws, known as the Compromise Act, in which was included the Fugitive Slave Law; and whereas, some of the States of this Union have, by legislative enactment, attempted to nullify so much of said Compromise as relates to the Fugitive Slave Law; and whereas, the people of Tennessee, being desirous of holding sacred the Federal Constitution, and the union of these States; and, in the opinion of this General Assembly, the Compromise act of 1850, is the great Cable that holds the North and South together.

Be it therefore, Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That we will at all times, and under all circumstances, sustain the Federal Union in maintaining the constitutional compromises of Congress, passed in 1850, against any State, or the cit-

izens of any State who attempt to nullify said Compromise, or any part of the same, by legislative enactment, or otherwise, believing, as we do, that the perpetuity of the Union depend upon the faithful adherence to said Compromise.

Mr. Meek moved a suspension of the rule ;

Which motion prevailed.

Upon the adoption of the resolution,

Mr. Brien demanded the ayes and noes ;

Which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Dortch, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Holmes Kimble, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, Mr. Speaker Brown—51.

Noes—None.

Resolution, No. 105, in relation to the Commissioners appointed to revise the statutes of Tennessee,

Was, by leave of the House, withdrawn, by Mr. Wood of Cannon.

Resolution, No. 113, directory to the Committee on Finance, was adopted by the House.

Mr. White moved

To take up Bill, No. 396, to extend and define the corporate limits of the City of Knoxville ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Newman moved

To refer the bill to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. White moved

To lay Mr. Newman's motion on the table ;

Which motion prevailed.

The bill then passed third reading.

Mr. Travis moved

To take up Bill, No. 151, to amend an act entitled An act to charter the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company, and the various acts amendatory thereto, passed by the Legislatures of Tennessee and Kentucky ;

Which motion prevailed.

The Senate's amendments to said bill were concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Harris,

Bill, No. 400, to incorporate the Holston Baptist Female Institute, at Jonesborough, East Tennessee,

Was taken up, read third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Snodgrass,

Bill, No. 279, authorizing the election of a Magistrate in the town of Dandridge,

Was taken up, and passed third reading.

Mr. Shemwell obtained leave to withdraw the petition presented in regard to the slaves of William Crouse, in Stewart county ;

And, also, the Bill, No. 407, by him introduced to carry out the prayer of the petitioners ;

And, also, Bill, No. 379, in regard to the time of assessing taxes on slaves and other property.

On motion of Mr. Massengill,

Bill, No. 289, to furnish certain officers of Sullivan county with the Acts of 1853-4, and copies of Caruthers and Nicholson, and Nicholson's Supplement,

Was taken up.

Mr. Whiteside offered to amend

By including certain officers in Hickman county within the benefits of the bill.

Mr. Nixon moved

To amend by including certain officers of Lawrence county within the benefits of the bill.

Mr. Newman moved

To amend by including certain officers in Franklin county within the provisions of the bill.

Mr. Stovall moved

To include certain officers in Obion county within the benefits of the bill.

Mr. Tipton moved

To include certain officers in the counties of Johnson and Carter within the benefits of the bill.

Mr. Harris moved

To amend by adding, " Provided the books desired can be obtained without re-printing."

The amendment of Mr. Harris was adopted, and,

On motion of Mr. Brazelton,

The bill and amendments were referred to the Committee on Way and Means.

On motion of Mr. Burch,

Bill No. 413, to incorporate the Chattanooga Packing and Milling Company,

Was taken up, and passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Ball,

Bill, No. 260, to incorporate Rotherwood Classical Seminary, in Hawkins county,

Was taken up, and passed third reading.

On motion of Mr. Meek,

Bill, No. 148, to amend the charter of the Strawberry Plains College,

Was taken up, and amended, on motion of Mr. Runnels.

The bill was rejected by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Bartlett, Brien, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Dortch, Holmes, Meek, Runnels, Ward—11.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Brazelton, Bullen, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Easterly, Fielder, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—39.

The bill was rejected.

Mr. Stovall was called to the chair.

On motion of Mr. Brown, of Davidson,

Senate Bill, No. 50, to amend the charter of the Hyde's Ferry Turnpike Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Brown, of Davidson, offered an amendment, chartering the Nashville and Glencliff Turnpike Company ;

Which was adopted.

Also, an amendment granting permission to the Columbia, Pulaski, Elkton, and Alabama, Turnpike Company, to remove their toll-gate nearer to Elkton, in Giles county ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Brazelton offered an amendment, giving the Waynesboro and Savannah Turnpike Company two years further time to commence their road ;

Which was adopted.

The bill, as amended, passed third reading.

On motion of Mr. Tipton,

Bill, No. 335, to change the time of holding the Chancery Court at Elizabethton,

Was taken up, read third time, and passed.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 10 o'clock, Monday morning.

MONDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 17, 1855.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Meek presented a petition from the Trustees of Dandridge Female Academy, and Maury Academy, and citizens of Jefferson county, praying the enactment of a law prohibiting the sale of liquors within one mile of any institution of learning in this State.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, presented a petition from citizens of the counties of Marshall and Williamson, asking an appropriation of State aid to the Farmington and Fayetteville Turnpike road ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, presented a petition from citizens of Cannon county, in opposition to change of the line between the counties of Cannon and DeKalb ;

Which was referred to the Committee on New Counties and County Lines.

Mr. Carlock returned Bill, No. 113, To suppress drunkenness, Without an amendment.

Mr. White presented a petition from citizens of Knox county, asking permission to keep up a fish trap and draw on the South sluice of Holston river, at Price's Island.

Mr. Carmichael presented a memorial from citizens in the limits of the county of Union ;

Which was referred to the Committee on New Counties and County Lines.

Mr. Holmes presented a petition from citizens of Shelby county, for the relief of Jeremiah Massey, &c. ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Burch, from the Committee on Internal Improvements, reported on Bill, No. 201, to amend an act entitled An act to secure the completion of turnpike roads in Smith, Wilson and Sumner counties, by State credit,

And recommended its passage.

On Bill, No. 403, For the benefit of the Rogersville and Jefferson Railroad,

And recommended its passage.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Senate has passed, upon its third and last reading, House Bill, No. 376, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled An act to charter the Cincinnati, Cumberland Gap, and Charleston Railroad Company, with a clerical amendment ;

And the same is herewith transmitted for the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. Meek, the Senate's amendment was concurred in.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported as follows :

The Committee on Enrolled Bills have had the following Engrossed Bills under consideration, and find them correctly engrossed :

House Bill, No. 187, to incorporate the LaGrange Synodical College in the county of Fayette ;

House Bill, No. 139, to authorize the President and Directors of the Bank of Tennessee to appoint an additional Director ;

House Bill, No. 400, to incorporate the Holsten Baptist Female Institute, at Jonesboro', East Tennessee ;

House Bill, No. 98, for the benefit of the Tennessee Western, and Charleston Railroad Company.

Also, an enrolled act entitled

An act to amend an act more effectually to secure the Common School Fund, chap. 54, Acts of 1843.

Mr. Harris moved

That all local bills, passed on third reading, be transmitted, at once, to the Senate.

The motion prevailed.

Leave of absence was granted to Messrs. Brien and Dunnington ; also, to Messrs. Cobb and Tipton, from Wednesday next until after the Christmas holidays.

On motion of Mr. Gilbert,

Bill, No. 379, to regulate the time for giving in taxes on slaves and other property,

Was taken up, passed second reading, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Pope,

Bill, No. 390, to amend an act to authorize the extension of the Memphis and Charleston Railroad, and for other purposes, passed 23d February, 1854, chap. 311,

Was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Bill, No. 56, to repeal the Tippling Law,

Was taken up.

After some discussion, Mr. Tipton called the previous question.

The House refused to sustain the call.

Mr. Nixon moved

To make this, and all bills on the same subject, the special order for the first Monday in January, 1856.

The motion failed.

Mr. Kimble moved

That Bill, No. 56, be made the special order for first Monday in January, 1856.

The motion failed.

Mr. Carmichael offered an amendment, providing that all laws now in force prohibiting the sale of spirituous and vinous liquors, in less quantities than a quart, be, and the same are hereby, repealed.

Mr. Cavitt offered an amendment, providing that any person violating the spirit and meaning of any of the laws restraining the traffic in ardent spirits, shall be deemed guilty of a violation of law, in the same manner as in violation of the letter of the law.

Mr. Bartlett called for the previous question.

The call was sustained.

On the passage of the bill, the ayes and noes were demanded, and were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Bullen, Carlock, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, DeWitt, Donelson, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—43.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Burch, Campbell, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cox, Dortch, Gallaway, Gilbert, Kimble, Little, Mathis, Newman, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Travis, Welcker, Whiteside, and Wood of Hardeman—21.

The bill passed its third reading.

Mr. Nixon entered a motion to reconsider the vote last taken.

Mr. Thomas moved

That all other bills on the subject of tippling, be made the special order for January 10, next, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

The motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Looney,

Senate Bill, No. 99, to amend an act passed 22d January, 1852, entitled

An act to authorize and regulate county subscriptions to railroad stock,

Was taken up.

Mr. Carmichael moved

To exempt Grainger county from the provisions of the bill.

Mr. Tipton moved

To strike out all the exemptions from the general application of the provisions of the bill.

Mr. Kimble moved

To lay the motion of Mr. Tipton on the table.

The motion failed.

Mr. Kimble moved

To exempt the counties of Perry and Decatur from the provisions of the bill.

Mr. Looney called for the previous question.

The call was sustained.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

To reconsider the vote sustaining the call for the previous question.

The vote was reconsidered.

Mr. Looney offered an amendment, providing that the act should go into effect from and after its passage.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Bullen moved

To insert in the bill, after the words "Justices of the Peace," the words "of the county."

The motion prevailed.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Carlock, Cloud, Colquet, Cowden, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Massengill, Meek, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Rudd, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—41.

Noes—Messrs. Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cobb, Colburn, Donelson, Easterly, Fielder, Gilbert, Kimble, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Smith, Stovall, Travis, and Wood of Hardeman—22.

On motion of Mr. Looney,

The bill was ordered to be transmitted, without delay, to the Senate.

Leave of absence was granted the Principal Clerk, to enable him to attend to urgent private business.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2½ o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Tipton entered a motion to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 148.

On motion of Mr. Whiteside,

Senate Bill, No. 116, to consolidate the offices of Entry Taker and Surveyor, in Hickman county,

Was taken up, and passed first reading.

Mr. Stovall moved

To take up Bill, No. 237, requiring Railroad Companies to drain the cuts on the sides of railroads in this State.

The motion prevailed.

The bill then passed third reading.

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Holmes, Kimble, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins,

Wallace, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—42.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Burch, Carmichael, Colquet, Cox, Davie, Easterly, Harris, Newman, Nixon, Pope Snodgrass, Taylor, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—15.

Ayes, - - - - - 42

Noes, - - - - - 15

Bill, No. 249, to incorporate the Mineral Railroad Company of East Tennessee, and for other purposes,

Was taken up.

The report of the Committee on Internal Improvements was concurred in.

Mr. Harris moved

To strike out so much of the bill as proposes to give State aid to said road.

Mr. Looney moved

To lay the motion of Mr. Harris on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Smith offered an amendment as follows :

Be it further enacted, That, in addition to the lien taken by the State upon the road, to secure itself from loss, the property of each stockholder in said road shall be liable for the payment of the State bonds, to the amount of stock so taken.

Mr. Burch moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

Mr. Smith called for the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—56.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Cavitt, Mathis, Smith, Stovall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—7.

The amendment was laid on the table.

Mr. Harris offered an amendment, as follows :

Be it further enacted, That the act of 1853-4, chap. 102, that grants State aid to the Ocoee Turnpike and Plank Road Company, be, and the same is hereby, repealed.

Which amendment was adopted.

Mr. Burch offered an amendment in lieu of the 9th section of the bill ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Burch offered an amendment in lieu of section 16 ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Cavitt offered an amendment, requiring the commissioners

of railroads to examine the road in question, and report whether said road would be of practical benefit to the State of Tennessee, and if he reports that it would not, then the State aid given in the bill shall not be extended to the road.

Mr. Burch moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Bullen moved

To make the bill the special order for the 4th of January;

But withdrew the motion.

Mr. Newman called for the previous question.

The call was sustained, and the bill passed its second reading.

Mr. Stovall moved

That Bill, No. 237, requiring railroads to drain the cuts on the side of their roads in this State,

Be transmitted at once to the Senate.

The motion prevailed.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled act entitled An act to amend an act more effectually to secure the Common School Fund, ch. 62, act of 1843 ;

And the same has been deposited with the Secretary of State.

The Senate has passed, on third and last reading, House Bill, No. 261, entitled A bill to incorporate the Tennessee Female College, and the Buchanan College, at Winchester, with an amendment incorporating the Mortimer Institute, in DeKalb county ;

And the same is herewith returned for the action of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has also passed, on third and last reading, Senate Bill, No. 85, entitled A bill to relinquish the State's interest in the Forked Deer Turnpike Road, to Wm. D. Scales, and the other private stockholders in said road ;

And the same is herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has passed, upon third and last reading, Senate Bill, No. 93, entitled A bill to amend the Revenue Laws of this State ;

And I have been directed immediately to transmit the same for the action of the House of Representatives; which is herewith done.

Mr. Tipton entered a motion to reconsider the vote adopting Resolution, No. 103, in relation to the nullification of the fugitive slave law by certain Northern States.

Mr. Cavitt moved

That Bill, No. 249, be made the special order for the 4th day of January, 1856.

The motion prevailed.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Wallace, to permit him to convey Mr. Hitch, the Senator from Anderson, Campbell, Grainger and Claiborne, home, who is unwell.

Mr. Ball obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 403, for the benefit of the Rogersville and Jefferson Railroad, for amendment.

The House adjourned till to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

TUESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 18, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Fielder presented a petition from Samuel Walker and other citizens of Dyer county ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Nixon, from the Committee on Claims, reported on Senate Resolution, No. 51, for the benefit of James D Thompson, J. W. Carter, A. M. Savage, and W. Britton,

And recommended its adoption.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that Bills, Nos. 335, 260, 237, 396, and Resolutions, Nos. 107 and 119, were correctly engrossed.

Mr. Cavitt, from the Committee on Incorporations, reported on the petition of C. H. Hines, and desired to be discharged from its further consideration.

Also, on Bill, No. 354, to charter the Elizabethton and Owensville Turnpike Company,

And recommended its passage.

Mr. Fielder introduced Bill, No. 419, for the benefit of Connell & Ferguson, and Isaac Sampson ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Dortch introduced Bill, No. 420, to appoint and define the duties of a Bond Commissioner for the State of Tennessee ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Dortch introduced Bill, No. 421, prescribing the time when the acts of the General Assembly shall take effect, when not otherwise provided ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Dortch introduced Bill, No. 422, to incorporate the Somerville Cotton Factory and Manufacturing and Flouring Mills ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Newman offered a Resolution, No. 120, as follows :

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That we approve and recommend a National Homestead Law, granting one hundred and sixty acres of land to every citizen of the United States, who is the head of a family, and will locate and cultivate the same for a number of years, out of any lands belonging to the General Government. We do instruct our Senators, and request our Representatives in Congress, to use all the means in their power to have such a law passed by the Congress of the United States.

The Governor is requested to send a copy of the resolution to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

The resolution was laid over under the rule.

Mr. Cox introduced Bill, No. 423, to establish the Phœnix Bank at Nashville ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Banks.

Mr. Rudd introduced Bill, No. 424, for the benefit of the late Abel R. Chaney, former Jailor of the county of Monroe ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, introduced Bill, No. 425, to regulate the payment of costs in cases of misdemeanor ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Newman obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 295, to incorporate the Ritchie Printing and Publishing Company in the city of Nashville, and introduced in lieu thereof, a bill with same title ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Taylor obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 369, to charter the Tennessee Typographical Union, and offered it as an amendment to Bill, No. 295.

The amendment was adopted,

And the bill passed second reading.

Mr. Colburn introduced Bill, No. 426, to legalize the official acts of Justices of the Peace, and for other purposes ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Holmes introduced Bill, No. 427, to regulate the grades of railroads in this State, that are entitled to State aid ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. White introduced Bill, No. 428, to authorize certain citizens of Knox county to build a dam and fish-trap on Holston River ;

Which passed first reading.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

Mr. SPEAKER :

The Senate has adopted House Resolution, No. 14, providing for the election of Register of the Eastern Division, after amend-

ing the same by inserting December 19, as the day for holding said election ;

And the same is hereby returned for the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

MR. SPEAKER :

The Senate has this morning passed, upon their third and last reading, Senate Bills as follows, and I am directed immediately to transmit the same for the action of the House of Representatives :

No. 110, to authorize and regulate the pay of the Messengers of the Senate.

No. 127, to authorize certain counties to take stock in railroads, and to issue bonds of said counties for the same.

The Senate has also passed upon third and last reading, House Bill, No. 275, to charter the Shelbyville University of the Tennessee Conference ;

And the same is herewith transmitted for enrollment.

The Senate has also passed on third reading, with amendments, House Bill, No. 156, for the relief of the securities of Wm. B. Holden, late Sheriff of Marshall county.

The Senate has concurred in House amendments to House Bill, No. 107, entitled

A bill to charter the City Building and Loan Association of Nashville ;

And the said bill is herewith returned for enrollment.

Mr. Galbreath moved

A suspension of the special order of the day.

Mr. Mathis moved

To lay the motion on the table.

The motion of Mr. Mathis prevailed.

The special order of the day was then taken up, being Bill, No. 117, to provide for the erection of Statues to General Washington, General Jackson, &c.

Mr. Armstrong moved

A non-concurrence in the report of the Committee on the Capitol, who recommend that all names, after that of James K. Polk, be stricken out.

Pending discussion on which, the House,

On motion of Mr. Nixon,

Adjourned till 2½ o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House resumed the unfinished business.

The motion of Mr. Armstrong,

To non-concur in the report of the Committee on the Capitol,

Was under consideration.

Mr. Gleaves asked for a division of the question.

The House non-concurred as to striking out the name of Gov. Sevier.

The House non-concurred in the report, as to striking out the name of Hu. L. White.

The Bill in lieu was adopted.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, asked for a division of the question.

Mr. Harris moved

To lay the bill on the table.

Mr. Harris called for the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Bullen, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Richey, Shemwell, Stovall, Watkins, Wilson of Marshall—19.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Little, Looney, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown.—40.

The name of Washington was affirmed.

The name of Jackson was affirmed.

The name of Polk was affirmed.

The name of Hu. L. White was affirmed.

The name of John Sevier was rejected.

The bill passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Whiteside,

Senate Bill, No. 116, to consolidate the offices of Surveyor and Entry Taker in Hickman county,

Was taken up and passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Donelson,

Senate Bill, No. 93, to amend the Revenue Laws,

Was taken up and passed second reading.

A message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled act entitled

An act to charter the Odd Fellows' Female College at Paris ;

And the same is herewith transmitted for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

To take up Senate Bill, No. 305, to amend an act entitled An act to charter the South Western Railroad Company.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Parks offered an amendment, providing that the bonds of the State shall issue to said company for the construction of bridges in same manner as to other roads in this State.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill then passed its third reading.

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—46.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Cavitt, Cowden, Donelson, Gallaway, Looney, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Smith, Stovall, Taylor, Watkins, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—16.

Mr. Rudd moved

That the bill be at once transmitted to the Senate.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Taylor entered a motion

To reconsider the vote striking out the name of John Sevier from Bill, No. 117.

On motion of Mr. Richey,

Bill, No. 406, to amend an act passed 19th January, 1848, entitled An act to amend an act passed 16th December, 1837, entitled An act to incorporate the Oak Grove Academy, in the town of Cleveland, in the county of Bradley,

Was taken up, and passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Holmes,

Bill, No. 300, to amend the Internal Improvement Act, passed 8th February, 1854, and for other purposes,

Was taken up.

Mr. Holmes offered a bill in lieu ;

Which was adopted.

The bill passed second reading.

Mr. Armstrong moved

To take up the motion entered by Mr. Taylor to reconsider the action of the House in regard to the name of John Sevier, in its connection with Bill, No. 117.

The motion prevailed.

The vote was reconsidered.

Upon the motion of Mr. Armstrong to place John Sevier in the same condition in the bill with Washington, Jackson, Polk, and White, Mr. Newman called for the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney Massengill, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—42.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cowden, Donelson, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Kimble, Mathis, Myatt, Richey, Smith, Stovall, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—20.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Cook moved

To take up Bill, No. 63, to change the manner of taxing land divided by county lines.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Parks moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

Mr. Cox moved

That the House adjourn till to-morrow morning.

The motion failed.

On motion, the House suspended the bill under consideration, Bill, No. 156, for the relief of the securities of Wm. B. Holden, late Sheriff of Marshall County,

Was taken up.

Mr. Cowden moved

A concurrence in Senate's amendments..

The motion prevailed.

Leave of absence was granted to Messrs. Myatt and Cowden.

On motion, the House adjourned till to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 19, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Hatton, from the Committee on the Penitentiary, reported on Bill, No. 94, for the benefit of the Inspectors of the Penitentiary, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Cavitt, from the Committee on Incorporations, reported on Bill, No. 389, to incorporate Citico Mining Company, and for other purposes, and recommended that the bill be amended and passed.

On Bill, No. 405, to incorporate the New Orleans and Ohio Telegraph Lesees, and recommended that it be amended and passed.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that Bill, No. 295, to charter the Shelbyville University of the Tennessee Conference, was correctly enrolled;

And that Bill, No. 305, to amend an act entitled An act to charter the South Western Railroad Company, and for other purposes, passed January 31, 1852, was correctly engrossed.

Leave of absence was granted to Messrs. Carlock, Whiteside, Easterly, Richey, Smith, Parks, Colburn and Rudd, during the Christmas holydays.

Mr. Myatt introduced Bill, No. 429,

To incorporate the Emery Transportation and Manufacturing Company;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Burch offered Resolution No. 121, as follows:

Resolved, That the Committee on the Capitol be requested to investigate the patent of Thomas C. Connelly for taking and recording votes in legislative bodies, and report to the House whether they deem it expedient for this body to authorize the establishment of said patent in this House.

The resolution was laid over under the rule.

Mr. Burch introduced Bill, No. 430;

For the benefit of the heirs of Thomas Crutchfield, deceased;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Rudd introduced Bill, No. 431,

To amend an act entitled An act to incorporate the Montgomery Turnpike Company, passed January 25, 1849;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Holmes introduced Bill, No. 432,

To regulate banking in this State;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Banks.

Mr. Colburn introduced Bill, No. 433,

To repeal so much of an act passed January 27, 1854, as authorizes Blount county to levy a tax to pay interest, &c.;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Dortch introduced Bill, No. 434,

To amend section 13, of an act passed March 1, 1854, in relation to Somerville Model School;

Which passed first reading.

Also, Bill, No. 435,

To amend the act of 1807, chapter 8, section 3, in relation to killing stock, &c.;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Taylor introduced Bill, No. 436,

To incorporate the Covington and Sharon Railroad Company, and for other purposes ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Ball introduced Bill, No. 437,

For the benefit of Hawkins Lodge, No. 41, I. O. O. F. ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Colburn introduced Bill, No. 438,

To improve the navigation of Little Tennessee River ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Burch, from the Committee on Internal Improvements, reported a bill in lieu of Bill, No. 390,

To amend an act to authorize the extension of the Memphis and Charleston Railroad, and for other purposes, passed February 23, 1854, chapter 311 ;

Which was adopted by the House in lieu of the original bill.

Mr. Cox, introduced Bill, No. 439,

To repeal an act passed 16th February, 1852, to create the Hospital of Tennessee, and for other purposes ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Hatton presented the report of the State Geologist ;

Which was received, and ordered to be transmitted to the Senate.

Mr. Whiteside moved

That the unfinished business be suspended.

The motion failed.

The House then resumed the consideration of the unfinished business, being Bill, No. 63,

To change the manner of taxing land divided by a county line.

Mr. Parks withdrew his motion to indefinitely postpone the bill.

The amendment offered by Mr. Bullen was adopted, and the bill passed second reading.

Mr. Newman moved

To take up Senate message in relation to the election of a Register for East Tennessee.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To concur in the Senate's amendment, appointing this day as the time for going into said election.

The motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Newman,

The hour of 11½ o'clock was designated as the hour for meeting the Senate in Convention, to dispose of said business.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that Bill, No. 151, to amend the act incorporating the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company, and the various acts amending said act, passed by the Legislatures of Kentucky and Tennessee, was correctly enrolled.

Mr. Hatton moved

To take up Bill, No. 178, to establish a State Normal School.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Hatton proposed several amendments ;

Which were adopted.

The bill passed second reading, and was referred to the Committee on Education and Common Schools.

Mr. Davie moved

To take up Bill, No. 54.

The motion failed.

Mr. Holmes moved

To take up Bill, No. 295.

The motion failed.

Mr. Ball offered a Resolution, No. 122, as follows :

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That the Committee on Education and Common Schools be requested to inquire into and report the probable amount that would be required to organize a State Normal School.

The resolution was laid over under the rule.

Mr. Nixon moved

That the House take a recess of five minutes, preparatory to meeting the Senate in Convention.

The motion prevailed.

After the expiration of the recess, the House was called to order, and the Senate received in the Hall of the House.

In Convention.

Mr. Stokes moved

A call of the Convention.

Absent—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carlock, Cobb, Cowden, DeWitt, Dunnington, Gilbert, Mabry, Massengill, Parks, Thomas, Tipton, Travis, Wallace, Watkins, and Wilson of Carroll—20.

Mr. Fletcher moved

That the Convention adjourn till the second Monday in January, 1856.

The motion prevailed.

The members of the Senate withdrew to their chamber, and the House resumed its business.

Mr. Kimble moved

To take up Senate Bill, to amend the Revenue Laws ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Nixon moved

That the bill be amended in certain particulars.

Mr. Cook offered an amendment,

Providing for filling vacancies in the office of Tax Assessor, caused by death or resignation.

Mr. Cavitt moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill and amendment.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Mr. Cavitt withdrew his motion to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Mr. Looney moved

To lay the amendment, offered by Mr. Nixon, on the table ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Cavitt then renewed his motion to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Mr. Kimble moved

To lay the motion on the table ;

Which motion prevailed.

The amendment, offered by Mr. Cook, was adopted.

The bill, as amended, passed second reading.

Mr. Nixon obtained leave to withdraw the bill for amendment.

Mr. Bullen moved

To take up Bill, No. 295, to incorporate the Ritchie Printing and Publishing Company, of the city of Nashville, and for other purposes.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Holmes offered an amendment, incorporating the Franklin Typographical Union ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. White offered an amendment, providing that nothing in the act should give banking privileges, and providing for its repeal.

Mr. Newman moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Bullen offered an amendment, providing that nothing in the bill should be construed into a power to borrow money at a greater rate of interest than six per cent. ;

Which, on motion of Mr. Newman,

Was laid on the table.

The bill then passed third reading, and,

On motion of Mr. Newman,

Was ordered to be transmitted to the Senate.

Mr. Brown, of Davidson, (Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, in the Chair,) moved

To take up Bill, No. 263, to incorporate the Tennessee Literary Society.

The motion prevailed.

The bill passed second reading.

Mr. Hatton offered Resolution, No. 123, as follows:

Resolved, That ten thousand copies of the report of the Geologist of the State, together with all the accompanying illustrations, be printed for the use of this House.

Mr. Hatton moved

A suspension of the rule.

The motion prevailed, and the resolution was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Looney,

Resolution, No. 118, directory to our Senators and Representatives in Congress, in relation to procuring the repeal of revenue duties on railroad iron,

Was taken up, adopted, and ordered to be transmitted to the Senate.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that Bill, No. 295, to incorporate the Ritchie Printing and Publishing Company, of the city of Nashville, and for other purposes, was correctly engrossed.

Bill, No. 236, to amend an act entitled

An act to establish a Criminal Court in the county of Davidson, passed January 22, 1842,

Was taken up and passed second reading.

Bill, No. 395, for the relief of R. T. Daniel, of the county of Stewart,

Was taken up and passed second reading.

Bill, No. 255, to provide for the payment of the expenses of the Supreme Court,

Was taken up and passed second reading.

Bill, No. 258, to extend the corporate limits of the town of Unionville, and for other purposes,

Was taken up and passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 89, to amend an act entitled

An act to incorporate Hiwassee College, passed January 23, 1850.

Was taken up and passed second reading.

Bill, No. 175, to authorize Wm. H. Guy, and others, to build a turnpike road in Obion county,

Was taken up and passed second reading.

Bill, No. 356, to create Boards of Medical Examiners for the State of Tennessee, to promote Medical Science, and for other purposes,

Was taken up and passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 7, to incorporate the Winchester Building and Loan Association,

Was taken up and passed third reading.

Bill, No. 201, to amend an act entitled

An act to secure the completion of turnpike roads in Smith, Wilson, and Sumner counties, by State credit,

Was taken up and passed third reading.

Bill, No. 237, to amend the act of 1853-4, chap. 181,

Was taken up.

The bill offered in lieu, by Mr. Northcutt,

Was adopted and passed second reading.

Bill, No. 317, to authorize the County Court of Decatur county, to lay off an additional civil district in said county,

Was taken up and passed second reading.

Bill, No. 403, for the benefit of the Rogersville and Jefferson Railroad Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Ball moved

To amend in certain particulars.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Bullen offered an amendment, to include the Greeneville and French Broad Railroad Company, in the provisions of the bill.

Mr. Bobo moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill and amendments.

On motion,

The House adjourned till to-morrow morning, 9½ o'clock.

THURSDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 20, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Cavitt moved a call of the House.

Present—

Messrs Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Colquet, Cook, Cox, Davie, Donelson, DeWitt, Dortch, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Pogue, Runnels, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Tompkins, Ward, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—47.

There being no quorum,

Mr. Burch moved

To take recess for half an hour, and that the door-keeper be sent for absent members.

The motion prevailed.

The House being called to order,

Mr. Newman moved

That the House adjourn till 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Mr. Nixon demanded the ayes and noes.

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Cavitt, Cook, Cox, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Kinney, Little, Meek, Newman, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Stovall, Ward, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—29.

Noes—Messrs. Bullen, Burch, Colquet, Davie, Hatton, Kimble, Looney, Mathis, Myatt, Nixon, Temple, Tompkins, and White.—13.

The motion prevailed,

And the House adjourned till 10 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 21, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Harris moved

A call of the House.

The following members were present :

Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Cloud, Cook, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Fort, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mathis, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Shenwell, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—32.

There being no quorum present,

On motion of Mr. Wilson of Marshall,

The House adjourned till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 22, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Harris demanded a call of the House, and the following members were present, viz :

Messrs. Armstrong, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Cloud,

Cook, Cox, Fielder, Harris, Kinney, Newman, Snodgrass, White, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—15.

No quorum being present,

On motion of Mr. Newman,

The House adjourned till Monday morning, 9 o'clock.

MONDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 24, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Newman moved

A call of the House.

The following members were present, viz :

Messrs. Armstrong, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Cox, Cloud, Fielder, Harris, Kinney, Newman, Snodgrass, Thomas, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—14.

There being no quorum present,

On motion of Mr. Snodgrass,

The House adjourned till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 25, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Fielder moved a call of the House.

Present—

Messrs. Armstrong, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Cloud, Cox, Fielder, Harris, Kinney, Newman, Snodgrass, Thomas, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—14.

No quorum being present,

Mr. Fielder moved

That the House adjourn till to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock ;

Which motion prevailed.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 26, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Newman moved

A call of the House, and the following members were present, viz :

Messrs. Armstrong, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Cloud, Cox, Fielder, Harris, Kinney, Newman, Snodgrass, Thomas, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—15.

There being no quorum,

On motion of Mr. Harris,

The House adjourned till to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

THURSDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 27, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Brien moved a call of the House.

Members present were :

Messrs. Armstrong, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Cloud, Cook, Cox, Fielder, Gallaway, Harris, Kinney, Newman, Snodgrass, Thomas, Wood of Hardeman, Mr. Speaker Brown—17.

No quorum being present,

Mr. Cox moved

An adjournment till to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock,

And accordingly the House adjourned.

FRIDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 28, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion, a call of the House was made.

Members present were :

Messrs. Armstrong, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch,

Cloud, Cook, Cox, Fielder, Gallaway, Harris, Kinney, Newman, Snodgrass, Thomas, Wood of Hardeman, Mr. Speaker Brown—17.

No quorum being present,

On motion of Mr. Harris,

The House adjourned till to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

SATURDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 29, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion, a call of the House was made,

And the following members were present, viz:

Messrs. Armstrong, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Cloud, Cox, Gallaway, Kinney, Harris, Newman, Snodgrass, Thomas, White, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—16.

No quorum being present,

On motion of Mr. Cox,

The House adjourned till 10 o'clock, Monday morning.

MONDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 31, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Newman moved a call of the House.

The following members were present, viz:

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Cloud, Colburn, Cox, Easterly, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Meek, Newman, Pope, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tompkins, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—26.

There being no quorum,

Mr. Snodgrass moved

That the House adjourn till 2½ o'clock, this afternoon.

The motion prevailed.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Nixon moved a call of the House,

Absent—Messrs. Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Cook, Cowden, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Holmes, Kimble, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Taylor, Tipton, Travis, Wallace, Watkins, Welcker, Whiteside, and Wood of Cannon—44.

No quorum being present,

On motion of Mr. Kinney,

The House adjourned till 9½ o'clock, to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 1, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Kinney moved a call of the House.

The following members were present, viz :

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Cloud, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Easterly, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Kinney, Looney, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Harde-
man, and Mr. Speaker Brown—41.

There being no quorum,

On motion of Mr. Davie,

The House adjourned till to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 2, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Cox moved a call of the House.

Members present—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cloud, Cobb, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Kinney, Little, Looney, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—49.

No quorum being present,

On motion of Mr. Gallaway,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion, a call of the House was ordered.

Members present—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cloud, Cobb, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Kinney, Little, Looney, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Pope, Runnels, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—47.

Mr. Gallaway moved

To adjourn till to-morrow, 10 o'clock, A. M.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

That the House adjourn till 7 o'clock to-night,

Which motion failed.

Mr. Gallaway moved

That the Doorkeeper be sent after the absentees.

The motion prevailed, and accordingly the Doorkeeper proceeded upon his mission.

After some length of time, the absent members not returning,

On motion of Mr. Nixon,

The House adjourned till to-morrow 9½ o'clock, A. M.

THURSDAY MORNING, JANUARY 3, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Newman moved a call of the House.

Absent—Messrs. Bartlett, Carmichael, Colquet, Dortch, Fielder, Galbreath, Holmes, Kimble, Myatt, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Smith, Stovall, Taylor, Tipton, Travis, Watkins, Welcker, Whiteside, Wood of Hardeman—21.

Mr. Harris asked leave of absence for Mr. Fielder, from the time of his absence as it appears upon the Journal.

The leave was granted.

Mr. Cox presented a petition from Wm. A. Glenn and others, members of Nashville Fire Company, No. 1, praying permission to extend the capacity of their engine house.

The memorial was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Ball presented a petition from citizens of Jefferson, Hawkins, Grainger, Greene, and Cocke, asking the establishment of a new county, to be formed of territory in said counties.

Referred to the Committee on New Counties and County Lines.

Mr. Fort presented a petition from citizens of Robertson County, praying an amendment to the Revenue Laws, giving the collection of taxes to the Constables of the civil districts.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Armstrong presented a petition from citizens of Sevier County, asking permission for Hu. Blair and Jas. McNeely to build a dam across Pigeon River.

Referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Tompkins presented a report of the Commissioners of the Murfreesboro and Manchester Turnpike Company.

The report was received. (See Appendix.)

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that Bill, No. 156, for the relief of the securities of Wm. B. Holden, late Sheriff of Marshall County, was correctly enrolled.

Also, Bill, No. —, to charter the City Building and Loan Association of Nashville, was correctly enrolled.

And that Bill, No. 201, to amend an act entitled An act to secure the completion of turnpike roads in Smith, Wilson and Sumner counties by State credit;

And Resolution, No. 118, to the Congress of the United States, in relation to the duties on railroad iron, were correctly engrossed.

Mr. White, from the Committee on New Counties and County Lines, reported on

Bill, No. 138, to alter the county line of Maury and Marshall, And recommended its passage.

Mr. Burch introduced Bill, No. 440,

To incorporate the Harrison and Hamilton Mining and Manufacturing Company;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. White introduced Bill, No. 441,

To incorporate the Young Men's Christian Association of Knoxville;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Tompkins introduced Bill, No. 442,

To incorporate Union Hill Academy, in Rutherford County;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Bullen introduced Bill, No. 443,

To preserve the purity of elections in the various Internal Improvement Companies in this State;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Cox introduced Bill, No. 444,

For the relief of the securities of Jno. J. Hinton;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER :

The Senate has concurred in House amendment to Senate Bill, No. 3, entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the Edgefield and Kentucky Railroad Company;

And the same has been enrolled, received the signature of the Speaker of the Senate, and is herewith transmitted for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has also concurred in House amendments to Senate Bill, No. 99, entitled

A bill to amend the act passed January 22, 1852, entitled An act to authorize and regulate county subscriptions to railroad stock;

And the same has been enrolled, received the signature of the Speaker of the Senate, and is herewith transmitted for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The Speaker of the Senate has also signed enrolled act, entitled An act to amend an act entitled An act to charter the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company, and the several acts amending said act, passed by the Legislatures of Kentucky and Tennessee ;

And an act to charter the Shelbyville University of the Tennessee Conference ;

And the same have been deposited with the Secretary of State.

The Speaker of the Senate has also signed enrolled Resolutions,

To instruct our Senators in Congress, and request our Representatives, to aid in the passage of a bill granting a pension to the soldiers of the war of 1812, and of the various Indian wars,

And Resolution addressed to the Governor of the State ;

And the same are herewith transmitted for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has adopted House Resolution, No. 116,

Appointing Commissioners to investigate the Rogersville Branch of the Bank of Tennessee ;

After amending the same, by striking out the name of Henry Waterson as one of the Commissioners, and inserting in lieu the name of Joseph R. Mitchell ;

And the same is transmitted for the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has passed upon third reading, Senate Bills,

No. 102, to amend the act of 1815, chapter 20, in relation to garnishments ; and

No. 118, to amend the act incorporating the town of Gallatin, in Sumner County ;

And the same are herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has concurred in House amendment to Senate Bill,

No. 50, incorporating the Nashville and Glenclyff Turnpike Company, and amendment extending further time to the Waynesboro and Savannah Turnpike Company, and has adopted an amendment in lieu of House amendment, in regard to Columbia, Pulaski, and Elkton Turnpike Company ;

And the same is herewith transmitted for the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has passed on third and last reading, House Bills, as follows, and the same are herewith returned for enrollment :

No. 332, to amend and reduce into one, the acts relating to the charter of the town of Clarksville.

No. 190, giving the Blountsville, Middletown and Elizabethton Turnpike Company further time to build their road, and reviving the Washington County and Walnut Mount Turnpike Company, and for other purposes.

No. 77, to repeal in part the act of 1826, chapter 22.

No. 400, to incorporate the Holston Baptist Female Institute at Jonesborough, East Tennessee.

No. 396, to extend and define the corporate limits of the City of Knoxville.

The Senate has also adopted House Resolutions —

No. 107, for the relief of the people of the first fractional township, first range, East of the meridian, Hiwassee District;

And No. 115, directory to the Joint Select Committee in regard to a Digest of the Statutes;

And the same are herewith transmitted for enrollment.

The Senate has amended, and passed on third reading, House Bill, No. 84, entitled

A bill to amend the act of 1817, chapter 54, sections 1 and 2, and the act of 1823, chapter 21, section 1, and the act of 1835, chapter 17, section 4, regulating motions against Constables and their securities, and to prescribe the fees of officers in certain cases;

And the same is returned for the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has passed on third and last reading Senate Bill, No. 131, entitled

A bill to amend the Criminal Laws of this State, in relation to slaves;

And I have been directed immediately to transmit the same for the action of the House of Representatives.

I am also directed to transmit the accompanying memorial from citizens of Davidson county, asking for the passage of a law providing for the more severe punishment of slaves guilty of burning store-houses, ware-houses, &c.

I also herewith transmit two memorials from citizens of Gibson and Dyer counties, against the passage of any law impeding the navigation of the middle fork of Forked Deer River.

Mr. Armstrong offered a Resolution, No. 122,

Complimentary to J. G. M. Ramsey, author of the "Annals of Tennessee," and directory to the Secretary of State to purchase one thousand dollars' worth of said work.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Carlock introduced Bill, No. 445,

To incorporate the Caledonia Iron Company, and for other purposes;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Armstrong introduced Bill, No. 446,

To incorporate the Dickeson Marble and Zinc Mining and Manufacturing Company, of Tennessee, in Knox county;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. Kinney offered Resolution, No. 123, as follows:

Whereas, At the commencement of the present session of the General Assembly, a committee was appointed to invite the ministers of the gospel of the city of Nashville, to attend and open the

deliberations of this body with prayer, which seems to have been almost ineffectual ; therefore,

Be it Resolved, That the Speaker of the House be requested to invite the ministers of the gospel, of the different denominations of Christians of this city, to attend, and open the deliberations of this House with prayer, during the remainder of the session, as this is the beginning of the year 1856.

The resolution was laid over under the rule.

Mr. Algee introduced Bill, No. 447,

To amend the act of 1852, chartering the Nashville and North-Western Railroad Company ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Brien introduced Bill, No. 448,

For the relief of the different counties of the State ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Bullen introduced Bill, No. 449,

To amend the 13th section of an act entitled An act in relation to public roads, passed 1804, chapter 1 ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, offered Resolution, No. 124,

Directory to the Comptroller to audit the account of John M. Morrell ;

Which was laid over under the rule.

Mr. Easterly asked and obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 408.

Mr. Cook moved to take up Bill, No. 320,

To amend the Charter of the Tennessee and Alabama Railroad Company, and for other purposes.

The motion prevailed.

The bill passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Burch, Bill, No. 413,

To incorporate the Chattanooga Packing and Milling Company, Was taken up, and amended, and passed third reading.

On motion of Mr. Carlock,

Senate Bill, No. 89, to amend an act entitled An act to incorporate Hiwassee College, passed January 23, 1850,

Was taken up.

Mr. Newman moved

To strike out the third section of the bill.

The motion prevailed.

The bill passed third reading.

Mr. Dunnington moved

To take up Bill, No. 322, to amend an act entitled An act to incorporate the Porter Fire Arm Company, passed February 20, 1850.

The motion prevailed.

The report of the Committee was concurred in.

Bill passed second reading.

Mr. Cox moved

To take up Bill, No. 236, to amend an act entitled An act to establish a Criminal Court in the county of Davidson, passed January 27, 1842,

The motion prevailed.

The bill then passed its third reading.

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Mathis, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks Runnels, Richey, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—53.

Noes—Messrs. Gallaway and Pope—2.

Mr. Donelson moved

To take up Senate Bill, No. 94, for the benefit of the Inspectors of the Penitentiary.

The motion prevailed.

The bill then passed its second reading, and

On motion of Mr. Cavitt,

Was made the special order for to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Newman,

Bill No. 409, to provide for the election of a Justice of the Peace at Allisonia, in Franklin county,

Was taken up,

And passed second reading.

Mr. Bobo asked and obtained leave to withdraw Senate Bill, No. 43.

Bill, No. 146, to amend the law of practice and pleading in cases of slander.

Was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Bill, No. 146, to amend the laws of 1825, chapter 56,

Was taken up.

Mr. Algee moved

A non-concurrence in the report of the Committee on Claims.

The motion prevailed, and

The bill passed its second reading.

Bill, No. 154, to regulate the collection of executions, and for other purposes,

Was rejected.

Mr. Brown, of Davidson, (Mr. Snodgrass in the Chair,) introduced Bill, No. 450,

To promote Common Schools;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Education and Common Schools.

Also, Bill, No. 451, to prevent the separation of children from their mothers, in the disposition of slaves;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

On motion of Mr. Gallaway

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Bill, No. 29, in relation to Tobacco Inspectors, &c., was,

On motion of Mr. Davie,

Laid on the table.

Bill, No. 68, to amend the Free Banking Law,

Was taken up.

The amendments proposed by the Committee on Banks, were laid on the table.

The bill passed its second reading, and was re-referred to the Committee on Banks.

Bill, No. 113, to suppress Drunkenness,

Was rejected.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

To reconsider the vote rejecting the bill.

The vote was reconsidered by the House.

Mr. Harris called for the previous question.

The House refused to sustain the call.

Mr. Brazelton moved

To amend the bill, by providing that it should not take effect until the State ceased to be a partner in tippling.

Mr. Carlock moved

To amend, by repealing the act of 1842-4, on the subject drunkenness.

Mr. Bobo moved

To amend, by providing that a man should not be deemed drunk in the eye of the law, unless he forget his name and his God.

Mr. Bullen moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill and amendments.

Pending which, on motion of Mr. DeWitt,

The House adjourned till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY MORNING, JANUARY 4, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Gilbert introduced Bill, No. 452, for the benefit of John Geaven and John M. Frénsley ;

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Ball presented a memorial from "Reformation," in relation to the establishment of a Board of Medical Examiners in this State ;

Which, on motion of Mr. Ball, was laid on the table.

Mr. Brien, from the Judiciary Committee, reported as follows :—

MR. SPEAKER :

The Judiciary Committee have had under consideration sundry Senate and House bills, and direct me to report Senate Bill, No. 38, to amend an act declaring the powers of the County Courts in particular cases ;

Bill, No. 42, to amend the Criminal Laws of the State ;

Bill, No. 60, to increase the salary of the Attorney General and Reporter of the State ;

That each pass.

That Bill, No. 4, to repeal the third section of the act of 1853, chapter 72 ;

Bill, No. 56, to authorize the election of additional Justice of the Peace in certain localities ;

That each be rejected.

That House Bill, No. 267 to establish a Criminal Court at Chattanooga, and for other purposes ;

Bill, No. 339, to establish a Chancery Court at Clinton, in Anderson county, that the 2d section be stricken out a ssurplusage ; and, with this amendment, each pass.

All of which I respectfully submit to the House and ask the concurrence of the same.

M. M. BRIEN,
Chairman.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, from the Committee on Education and Common Schools, reported on Bill, No. 374, to amend the school laws, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Cavitt introduced Bill, No. 453, to regulate the distribution of estates ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Davie introduced Bill, No. 454, to amend the charter of the Clarksville and Russellville Turnpike Company ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, introduced Bill, No. 455, to form a school district out of a portion of Rutherford and Cannon counties;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported the following acts correctly enrolled, viz:

An act to repeal, in part, the act of 1826, chap. 22;

An act giving the Blountsville, Middletown, and Elizabethton Turnpike Company, further time to complete their road, and reviving the Washington County and Walnut Mount Turnpike Company, and for other purposes;

An act to extend and define the corporate limits of the city of Knoxville;

An act to incorporate the Holston Baptist Female Institute at Jonesborough, East Tennessee;

Resolution for the relief of the people of the first fractional township, first range East of the Meridian, Hiwassee district.

Mr. Ball introduced Bill, No. 456, to establish the county of Cass;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on New Counties and County Lines.

Mr. Kinney offered Resolution, No. 125, as follows:

Resolved, That the House of Representatives of this General Assembly, be required to hold night sessions, commencing night, the 7th inst., and each alternate night during the present session.

The resolution was laid over under the rule.

Mr. Colburn presented a memorial from Paulina Taylor;

Also, Bill, No. 457, for the relief of Paulina Taylor, widow of James Taylor, deceased;

Which passed first reading, and, with the memorial, was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The unfinished business was then taken up, being

Bill, No. 113, to suppress drunkenness.

Mr. Bullen withdrew the motion to indefinitely postpone the bill, made by him yesterday.

The bill was then, on motion of Mr. Carlock, referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

The special order was taken up, being

Senate Bill, No. 94, for the benefit of the Inspectors of the Penitentiary.

The bill passed third reading.

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Mathis, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of

Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—60.

Noes—Mr. Carmichael—1.

Senate message, in relation to House Resolution, No, 116, appointing Commissioners to investigate the Branch of the Bank of Tennessee at Rogersville,

Was taken up.

On motion of Mr. Meek,

The time allowed for the report was extended to the 25th inst.

On motion of Mr. Kinney,

The amendment, as amended by the House, was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Kinney,

The resolution, as amended, was ordered to be transmitted to the Senate.

Mr. Looney moved

To take up Calendar in regular order.

The motion failed.

Mr. Parks moved

To take up bills on second reading.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Nixon returned Senate Bill, No. 93, to amend the Revenue Laws, without amendment.

Bill, No. 137, to regulate the compensation of executors, and for other purposes,

Was rejected.

Bill, No. 152, for the mutual benefit of creditors and debtors,

Was rejected.

Bill, No. 153, to authorize Sarah A. Prock to open a turnpike road,

Was amended, in accordance with the recommendation of the Committee, and passed second reading.

A motion was entered by Mr. Fort to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 152.

Bill, No. 124, to increase the Common School Fund, and for other purposes,

Was indefinitely postponed, on motion of Mr. Cavitt.

Mr. Runnels demanding the ayes and noes:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Newman, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—40.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carlock, Cox, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Mathis, Meek, Runnels, Snodgrass, Ward, White, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—20.

On motion of Mr. Gallaway,

The House adjourned till 2½ o'clock, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Bill, No. 166, for the benefit of Sheriffs,

Was taken up.

Mr. Ball moved

A non-concurrence in the report of the Judiciary Committee, recommending its rejection ;

Which motion prevailed.

The bill then passed second reading.

Bill, No. 167, to authorize the establishment of the Memphis Water Works Company,

Passed its second reading.

Bill, No. 169, to make certain cases a felony,

Passed its second reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Bill, No. 170, was withdrawn by Mr. Thomas for amendment.

Bill, No. 173, to amend the act passed 2d March, 1854, entitled An act to amend the charter of the Tennessee Marine and Fire Insurance Company, passed 25th November, 1833, and for other purposes.

Mr. Cox offered an amendment, incorporating the Clarksville Marine and Fire Insurance Company ;

Which was adopted by the House.

The bill was then rejected.

Mr. Meek entered a motion to reconsider the vote of rejection.

Bill, No. 176, to authorize Justices to correct errors,

Passed second reading, the report of the Judiciary Committee recommending its rejection having been non-concurred in by the House.

Bill, No. 180, to prescribe the duties of County Counts in the cases of runaway slaves,

Was taken up.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

A non-concurrence in the report of the Judiciary Committee, recommending its rejection.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Cook moved

To amend by requiring proof of the identity of the slave, when demanded by his owner ;

Which amendment was adopted.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To amend by directing that the property that the slave may have in possession when committed to prison, should be sold in the same manner and the same time that the slave is sold ;

Which amendment was adopted by the House.

Mr. Temple moved

To amend by providing that the slave should be sold if not re-

claimed within twelve months from the date of his imprisonment, and the money deposited in the Treasury of the State for the benefit of Common Schools, unless the owner of the slave should prove, to the satisfaction of the Comptroller, that he was entitled to such proceeds within twelve months after the deposit of the funds in the Treasury.

The amendment was adopted by the House.

Mr. Newman moved

To indefinitely postpone the bill.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Meek entered a motion to reconsider the vote, indefinitely postponing the bill.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, moved

To suspend the Calendar, in order to take up the motion entered by Mr. Nixon, to reconsider the vote passing the bill repealing the tippling law.

The motion failed.

Bill, No. 182, to amend the act amending the act incorporating the Cornersville and Lewisburg Turnpike Company,

Passed its second reading.

Bill, No. 186½, to charter the Knoxville, Sevierville and Paint Rock Railroad Company,

Passed second reading, having been amended as recommended by the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Bill, No. 189, compelling free persons of color to remove to Liberia,

Passed second reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Bill, No. 191, to charter the Cumberland Manufacturing Company, Passed its second reading.

Bill, No. 192, To prevent frauds in the formation of new counties, Passed second reading.

Mr. Cook moved

To adjourn till to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock ;

Which motion failed.

Mr. Gallaway moved

To adjourn till 7 o'clock to-night ;

Which motion failed.

Bill, No. 194, to amend the 22d section of an act entitled An act to incorporate the Mechanics' Library Association of Fayetteville, and to reduce the several acts incorporating the town of Jackson, into one, and to amend the same,

Passed its second reading.

Mr. DeWitt moved

To adjourn till to-morrow morning, 9½ o'clock ;

Which motion failed.

Bill, No. 196, to amend the existing laws in relation to divorces, passed 1835-6, chapter 26,

Was taken up.

Mr. Ball moved

A non-concurrence in the report of Judiciary Committee, recommending its rejection.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Runnels offered an amendment, providing in cases of divorce, the guilty party on a subsequent marriage should be deemed guilty of bigamy, unless the marriage was between the same parties.

Mr. Parks moved

The indefinite postponement of bill and amendment.

The motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Gallaway,

The House adjourned till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY MORNING, JANUARY 5, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Caviitt moved a call of the House.

Absent—

Messrs. Bartlett, Bobo, Burch, Colquet, Cook, Cowden, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Myatt, Newman, Rudd, Runnels, Smith, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—32.

Mr. Harris moved

A suspension of the call, and that the Doorkeeper be sent for absent members.

The motion prevailed.

A quorum shortly afterwards being present,

Mr. Ward presented a petition from Willis Coggin and others, asking an alteration of the county line between DeKalb and Putnam counties;

Which was referred to the Committee on New Counties and County Lines.

Mr. Cox introduced a Bill, No. 458, to improve the West end of the Charlotte Turnpike Road, and for other purposes;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Also, Bill, No. 459, for the benefit of collecting officers;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Ward introduced Bill, No. 460, to divide the academic fund

of Smith county, between Geneva Academy and the Carthage Female Academy, and for other purposes ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Education and Common Schools.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, offered Resolution, No. 126, as follows :

Whereas, The Legislature has now been in session more than three months, and, whereas, this House, by resolution, determined to adjourn on the 24th of last month, that this resolution was adopted in good faith, and was intended to be carried out in that spirit, and that the House was prevented from carrying out the objects of that resolution ; and, whereas, this House has occupied but about five hours each day in business ; and, whereas, the members have taken a recess for recreation, of about two weeks ; and, whereas, there is a large amount of business yet to be disposed of ; and, whereas, it is the desire of the House to dispose of all the business, and be prepared for an early adjournment ; and, whereas, this cannot be done in the time appropriated to business, without a very long session ; therefore,

Resolved, That this House will hold night sessions during the remainder of the session, on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday nights of each week. .

Mr. Ward moved

That the rule requiring resolutions to lay on the table one day, be suspended.

The motion failed, and

And the resolution was laid over.

Mr. Hatton introduced Bill, No. 461, to incorporate the Law Library Association of Cumberland University ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. White introduced Bill, No. 462, to incorporate the Knoxville Steam Mill Company ;

Which passed first reading.

The regular order of business, being the Calendar, was taken up.

Mr. DeWitt moved

To suspend the regular order of business, in order to take up Bill, No. 255.

Mr. Shemwell called for the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Brown of Madison, Cobb, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Meek, Nixon, Parks, Pope, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Wallace, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—28.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Colburn, Cook, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Gilbert, Harris, Hatton, Kimble, Mabry, Mathis, Northcutt, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, White, Whiteside, and Wilson of Marshall—30.

The motion to suspend failed.

Mr. Donelson moved

That the use of the Hall be tendered to the Democratic party for their Convention on Tuesday, January 8.

Mr. Hatton moved

To amend by also tendering its use to the American party for same purpose.

The amendment was accepted, and the motion prevailed.

Mr. Cavitt moved

A suspension of the regular order for a Calendar on each Monday, for the ensuing week.

The motion prevailed.

Bill, No. 200, to amend the charter of the Knoxville and Charleston Railroad Company,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 205, to incorporate the county of Cheatham,

Was taken up.

The amendments proposed by the Committee on New Counties, &c., were adopted.

Mr. Stovall moved

To strike out the name of Cheatham, and insert the name of Brown, in honor of the two ex-Governors of that name.

Mr. Kinney offered an amendment, providing that the county site should be named Cox.

Mr. Davie moved

To strike out the name of Cheatham, and insert Fort.

Mr. Pope moved

To strike out all names, and insert "Buncomb."

Mr. Gleaves moved

To lay all amendments in relation to names on the table.

The motion failed.

Mr. Burch called for a division of the question.

The question being submitted, "Shall the name of Cheatham be stricken out?"

Failed.

Mr. Meek moved

To amend the amendment offered by Mr. Kinney, by striking out Cox, and insert Fortville.

The motion prevailed, and the amendment was adopted.

Mr. Cavitt offered an amendment, providing that nothing in the act should be so construed as to release any of the citizens of Davidson and Montgomery counties from liabilities incurred by said counties, in subscription of any stock to any railroad.

Mr. Parks moved

To lay the amendment of Mr. Cavitt on the table.

The motion failed.

The amendment was then adopted, and the bill passed second reading.

Mr. Brien moved

To suspend the Calendar, in order to take up Bill, No. 192,

The motion failed.

Bill, No. 203, to amend the laws in relation to turnpike roads, and proceedings against them, and for other purposes,

Was taken up.

Mr. Cavitt moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

The motion failed.

Mr. Temple presented a petition from sundry citizens of Davidson county, protesting against the passage of the bill.

The report of the Committee on Public Roads and Highways was concurred in, and

Bill passed second reading.

Bill, No. 204, to amend an act passed December 16, 1839, entitled An act to provide for the probate and registration of deeds and other instruments executed beyond the limits of the United States, and for other purposes,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 205, to amend an act entitled An act to establish a State Agricultural Bureau &c., and for other purposes,

Passed second reading.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Mathis moved a call of the House.

Gentlemen absent were—Messrs. Bartlett, Bobo, Burch, Colquett, Cook, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Hatton, Little, Massengill, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Runnels, Rudd, Shemwell, Taylor, Tipton, Travis, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, Wilson of Carroll—27.

Mr. Bullen moved

To dispense with the further call of the House.

The motion prevailed.

Bill, No. 206, to incorporate the Hibernia Mining Company,

Passed its second reading.

Bill, No. 207, to protect barn yards stock yards, &c.,

Passed its second reading,

Bill, No. 208, to incorporate Collierville Female College,

Passed its second reading.

Bill, No. 209, to make certain acts a misdemeanor,

Was taken up.

Mr. DeWitt moved

To amend in certain particulars ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Looney moved

To amend, by adding certain articles of produce to the list, as enumerated in the bill.

The motion prevailed.

The bill, as amended, was then rejected.

Mr. Easterly entered a motion

To reconsider the vote of rejection.

Bill, No. 212, to authorize the election of an additional Justice of the Peace in the town of Maryville,

Passed its second reading.

Bill, No. 213, to secure the rights of landholders,

Was taken up.

Mr. Brien moved

To amend, by inserting the words " the first section of " between the words " in " and " this, " in the second section of the bill.

The motion prevailed.

The bill then passed its second reading.

Bill, No. 214, to prevent frauds in elections,

Was taken up.

Mr. Davie moved

A non-concurrence in the report of the Committee on Elections, recommending its rejection.

The House refused to non-concur.

The bill was then rejected.

Bill, No. 215, to amend the first section, chapter first, of an act passed in the year 1804,

Passed its second reading.

Bill, No. 216, to carry into effect the intention of testators,

Was rejected.

Bill, No. 217, to amend an act passed February 9, 1850, chapter 179,

Was taken up.

Pending discussion on which,

On motion of Mr. Nixon,

The House adjourned till Monday morning, 9 o'clock.

MONDAY MORNING, JANUARY 7, 1856.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, presented a petition from Cerro Gordo Division, No. 178, Sons of Temperance, praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Law ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Tippling and Tippling Houses.

Mr. Nixon, from the Committee on Claims, reported on Bill, No. 419, for the benefit of Connell & Ferguson and Isaac Sampson, and recommended its passage.

Also, on House Resolution, No. 122, declaring the sense of this General Assembly of the Annals of Tennesse, by J. G. M. Ramsey, and providing for the purchase of one thousand dollars' worth of said work, and recommended its adoption.

Mr. Bullen, from the Committee on Public Roads and Highways, reported on Bill, No. 11, to regulate the system of roads ;

On Bill, No. 106, to equalize the labor and expense of keeping up the public roads in this State ;

On Bill, No. 109, to define the duties of overseers of Public County Roads and Road Tax, and recommended the adoption of a bill in lieu of all three bills.

Mr. Harris, from Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported on Bills, Nos. 236 and 413, as correctly engrossed, and on Bills, Nos. 332 and 376, as correctly enrolled.

Mr. Davie presented a petition from five hundred and thirty-four citizens of the county of Tipton, and a petition from the " Strip," praying for the permanent establishment of the line between the counties of Shelby and Tipton.

And, also introduced Bill, No. 464, to settle and establish the line between the counties of Shelby and Tipton ;

Which bill and petitions were referred to the Committee on New Counties and County Lines.

Mr. Cobb returned Bill, No. 157, withdrawn by him for amendment, on December 14, 1855.

Mr. Bobo returned Senate Bill, No. 43, with certain amendments.

Mr. Thomas returned Bill, No. 170, without amendment.

Mr. Dortch presented the Report of the Commissioners appointed to investigate the Branch of the Bank of Tennessee at Somerville.

The report was laid on the table for the present.

Mr. Kinney moved

To take up Resolution, No. 125, in regard to night sessions.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Bullen moved

To amend by striking out " Monday, the 7th," and inserting " Wednesday, the 9th."

The motion prevailed.

Upon the adoption of the resolution, as amended, Mr. Mathis demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Donelson, Dortch, Fort, Galbreath, Harris, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Richey, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Travis, Ward, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—40.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Cavitt, Cloud, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Easterly, Gallaway, Kimble, Meek, Newman, Pogue, Pope, Smith, Temple, and Watkins—19.

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Tipton entered a motion to reconsider the vote adopting the resolution.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, moved

To suspend the unfinished business of Saturday, in order to take up the motion entered by Mr. Nixon to reconsider the vote passing the bill repealing the Tippling Law.

Mr. Newman demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cobb, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Donelson, Dortch, Fort, Galbreath, Kinney, Looney, Mathis, Meek, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Smith, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Travis, Ward, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—34.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Burch, Campbell, Cloud, Colquet, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Easterly, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Mabry, Massengill, Newman, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Stovall, Watkins, and Whiteside—25.

The motion to suspend failed, there not being a majority of two thirds voting in the affirmative.

Mr. Galbreath introduced Bill, No. 465, to amend an act passed February, 1852, chapter 300 ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The House then proceeded to the consideration of the unfinished business of Saturday, being House Bill, No. 217, to amend an act passed 9th February, 1850, chapter 179.

Pending discussion on which, the House,

On motion of Mr. Pope,

Adjourned till 2½ o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The discussion of the unfinished business of the morning, being Bill, No. 217, to amend an act passed 9th February, 1850, chapter 170, was resumed.

The bill passed second reading.

Mr. Thomas moved

That a select committee of five be appointed by the Speaker to take into consideration the provisions of the bill.

The motion prevailed.

Bill, No. 210, for the preservation of Records,

Was taken up.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To amend by extending the provisions of the bill to all the Justices of the Peace in the State.

The amendment was adopted by the House.

Mr. Stovall moved

To amend, by providing that the Record Books should be paid for out of the treasuries of the several counties.

The amendment was adopted by the House, and the bill rejected.

House Bill, No. 220, to amend the laws now in force in this State, to suppress betting on elections,

Was taken up.

Mr. Bullen moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

The motion failed.

Mr. Gallaway moved

To amend, by declaring the selling of property upon the result of elections to be gaming, and providing for its punishment accordingly.

The House refused to adopt the amendment.

Mr. Looney called the previous question.

The House refused to sustain the call.

Mr. Tipton moved

To amend, by providing that witnesses attending before Grand Juries, under the provisions of this law, should receive the same pay per day as other witnesses attending in the Circuit Courts.

Mr. Bullen moved

To amend the amendment of Mr. Tipton, by providing that the witnesses' fees should be paid out of the State Treasury.

The motion failed.

Mr. Parks offered an amendment, in lieu of the amendment of Mr. Tipton, by extending the provisions of the amendment to all witnesses attending before Grand Juries of this State, in any case whatever.

Mr. Tipton accepted the amendment in lieu.

Mr. Brien moved

To lay the amendment on the table ;

Upon which motion, Mr. Kinney demanded the ayes and noes ;
Which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Cobb, Colquet, Cook, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Galbreath, Gallaway, Looney, Massengill, Temple, Ward, Whiteside, and Wilson of Marshall—20.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Cloud, Cowden, Cox, Donelson, Easterly, Fort, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Travis, Wallace, Watkins, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—42.

The motion failed.

Mr. Cook offered a bill in lieu.

Mr. Newman moved

To lay the bill, amendments, and bill in lieu, on the table.

Mr. Whiteside demanded the ayes and noes ;

Which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Cloud, Colquet, Cowden, Easterly, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Smith, Stovall, Temple, Tipton, and Watkins—26.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Holmes, Kimble, Looney, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Pogue, Snodgrass, Thomas, Travis, Wallace, Ward, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—37.

The motion failed.

Mr. Parks moved

To amend the bill in lieu, offered by Mr. Cook, by providing that witnesses attending before Grand Juries, should receive the same per diem pay as other witnesses attending the Circuit Court ; to be paid out the County Treasury, when no presentment or indictment is found, and by the unsuccessful party, when an indictment or presentment is found by the Grand Jury.

The amendment was adopted by the House.

The bill in lieu, as amended, was then adopted by the House.

Mr. Bullen moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

Mr. Kimble moved

To lay the motion of Mr. Bullen on the table.

The motion failed.

Upon the motion to postpone indefinitely, Mr. Whiteside called for the ayes and noes ;

Which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Easterly, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, and Temple—25.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Fort, Gilbert, Gleaves, Holmes, Kimble, Looney, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Pogue, Thomas, Tipton, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—40.

The motion to indefinitely postpone failed.

Upon the passage of the bill, Mr. Brien called for a division of the question.

The question then being taken, section by section, the bill passed second reading.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts as follows, and the same have been deposited with the Secretary of State :

An act for the benefit of the securities of Wm. B. Holden, late Sheriff of Marshall county ;

An act to charter the Building and Loan Association of Nashville ;

An act to extend and define the corporate limits of the city of Knoxville ;

An act to repeal, in part, the act of 1826, chap. 23 ;

An act to incorporate the Holston Baptist Institute at Jonesboro', East Tennessee ;

An act giving the Blountsville, Middletown, and Elizabethton Turnpike Company, further time to build their road, and reviving the Washington County and Walnut Mountain Turnpike Company, and for other purposes ;

And enrolled resolution for the relief of the people of the first fractional township, first range, East of the meridian, in the Hiwassee District ;

An act to amend an act entitled

An act to charter the Cumberland Gap, Cincinnati, and Charleston Railroad Company ;

To amend and reduce into one, the acts relating to the charter of the town of Clarksville.

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled act entitled

An act for the benefit of the Inspectors of the Penitentiary ;

And the same is herewith transmitted for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has concurred in House amendment to Senate amendment to House Resolution, No. 116, appointing Commision-

ers to investigate the branch of the Bank of Tennessee at Rogersville.

And the Senate has passed on third reading House Bill, No. 32, entitled A bill to incorporate the Knoxville Building and Loan Association ;

And the same is herewith transmitted for enrollment.

The Senate has adopted, with amendments, House Bills, as follows :

Bill, No. 295, to incorporate the Ritchie Printing and Publishing Company of Nashville, and for other purposes ;

And Bill, No. 84, to amend the Practice in the Chancery Courts.

The Senate has passed on third reading Senate Bills, as follows, and the same is herewith transmitted for the consideration of the House of Representatives :

Bill, No. 65, to amend an act passed March 2, 1852, chapter 262, entitled An act to amend the Stone's River and Statesville Turnpike Company.

No. 109, to incorporate the Ashford and Ripley Turnpike Company.

No. 115, to give Johnson and Carter Turnpike Company further time to complete said road, and erect a toll-gate.

No. 152, to amend the charter the Gallatin Turnpike Company.

No. 187, to incorporate the LaGrange Synodical College in the county of Fayette.

Bill, No. 221, granting appeals in certain cases,

Passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Brien,

The House adjourned till 9 o'clock, Wednesday morning.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 9, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Claiborne, the Principal Clerk, on account of the death of his father.

The Speaker appointed the following members as a select committee to consider and report upon the subject of granting private incorporations, and the laws in reference thereto, to wit :

Messrs. Thomas, Travis, Nixon, Looney and White.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Shemwell, on account of severe illness.

Mr. Meek presented a petition from sundry citizens of Jefferson county, praying for the enactment of a prohibitory law.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on Tippling and Tippling Houses.

Mr. Rudd presented a petition from sundry citizens of Monroe county, praying for the formation of a new School District, out of the Hiwassee and Ocoee Districts.

Also, a Bill, No. 466,

To establish Rural Vale School District, in Monroe county ;

Which passed first reading, and, together with the last mentioned petition, was referred to the Committee on Education and Common Schools.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported on Bill, No. 32, and upon House Resolution, No. 116, as correctly enrolled.

Mr. Donelson introduced Bill, No. 467,°

To incorporate a company to be called the Summer Manufacturing Company ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. Dunnington presented the report of the Commissioners appointed to investigate the branch of the Bank of Tennessee at Columbia.

The report was received, and laid on the table for the present.

Mr. Stovall introduced Resolution, No. 127, as follows :

Resolved, That all motions entered, to reconsider shall be a portion of the morning business, and may be acted on as such after the call for the introduction of bills and resolutions.

Mr. Nixon moved a suspension of the rule.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Snodgrass offered a Resolution in lieu, providing that a motion to reconsider should take precedence over all motions, except a motion to adjourn.

Mr. Tipton moved

To amend so as to confine the resolution to motions entered to reconsider bills.

Mr. Cavitt called for the previous question.

The call was sustained by the House..

The resolution was then adopted.

Mr. Cox introduced a Bill, No. 468,

To amend the twelfth section of an act passed the 31st of January, 1848, entitled An act to reduce the several acts incorporating the town of Nashville into one act, and to amend the same ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Burch introduced Resolution, No. 128,

In relation to a Naval Depot at Brunswick ;

Which was laid over under the rule.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, introduced Bill, No. 469,

For the benefit of the Mississippi Central and Tennessee Railroad Company ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Tipton withdrew the motion entered by him to reconsider the vote adopting the resolution providing for night sessions.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, moved

To take up the motion entered to reconsider the bill repealing the Tippling Law.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To make the motion the special order for to-morrow.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, moved

To lay the motion of Mr. Cavitt on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Pending discussion upon the motion to reconsider the Tippling Law.

On motion of Mr. Stovall,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Cavitt moved

A call of the House.

Absent—Messrs. Bartlett, Bobo, Cowden, Davie, DeWitt, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Hatton, Little, Looney, Mabry, Northcutt, Pope, Taylor, Travis, Watkins, White, and Wilson of Marshall—21.

The unfinished business of the morning was resumed, being the motion to reconsider the vote passing the bill repealing the Tippling Law.

After some discussion, Mr. Bullen called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

Upon the motion to reconsider, Mr. Dortch demanded the ayes and noes;

Which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Brown of Madison, Burch, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cox, Dunnington, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Little, Mabry, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Richey, Snodgrass, Stovall, Temple, Travis, Watkins, Welcker, Whiteside, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—25.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Brazelton, Brien, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Rudd, Smith, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—43.

The House refused to reconsider.

Mr. Burch called for the special order, being House Bill, No. 249, to incorporate the Mineral Railroad Company of East Tennessee, and for other purposes.

Mr. Burch moved

To amend in several particulars.

The House adopted the amendments.

Mr. Wilson, of Carroll, (for Mr. Shemwell) moved

To amend, by granting State aid to the Great Central North and South Air Line Road, from the North side of Tennessee River across Stewart county to the Kentucky State line, a distance of twenty-five miles, at the rate of ten thousand dollars per mile, and also, one hundred thousand dollars to bridge Cumberland River.

Mr. Burch moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

The motion prevailed.

The bill, as amended, then passed its third reading, by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Brien, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Stovall, Temple, Tipton, Wallace, Watkins, Welcker, White, and Whiteside—37.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Cavitt, Cloud, Cook, Cowden, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Gleaves, Gilbert, Little, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—33.

Mr. Ball moved

To suspend the morning business in order to take up Bill, No. 403, for the benefit of the Rogersville and Jefferson Railroad, passed over informally on January 3d.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Carmichael offered an amendment, authorizing said company to begin their road at Rogersville, and run it so as to connect with the Cincinnati, Cumberland Gap and Charleston Railroad, at some point between Clinch Mountain and Holston River.

Mr. Tipton offered an amendment, declaring the Rogersville and Jefferson Railroad, and the Greeneville and French Broad Railroad, branch roads of the East Tennessee and Virginia Railroad.

Mr. White offered to amend the amendment of Mr. Bullen, offered heretofore, including the Greeneville and French Broad Railroad within the provisions of the bill, by providing that the Legislature might at any time repeal the act so far as the said Greeneville and French Broad Railroad is concerned.

Mr. Newman moved

To lay the amendment of Mr. White on the table;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Harris offered an amendment, providing that nothing contained in the bill should be so construed as to conflict with the rights of the East Tennessee and Virginia Railroad.

Mr. Pope moved

To lay the amendment of Mr. Bullen on the table.

The motion failed.

The various amendments were then, successively, adopted by the House.

Mr. Gallaway moved

To lay the bill on the table for the present;

The motion failed.

The bill then passed its second reading.

Mr. Gleaves moved

To suspend the rule requiring night sessions every Monday, Wednesday and Friday nights, for this evening.

Mr. Carmichael demanded the ayes and noes;

Which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brien, Cook, Cox, Easterly, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Massengill, Nixon, Northcutt, Runnels, Rudd, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Welcker, and Wood of Cannon—21.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Parks, Snodgrass, Temple, Tipton, Travis, Wallace, Ward, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—36.

The motion failed.

Mr. Burch moved

To adjourn till 20 minutes before 6 o'clock, this evening.

The motion failed.

Mr. Cowden moved

To adjourn till 9 o'clock to-night.

The motion failed.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To adjourn till 7½ o'clock to-night.

The motion failed.

Mr. Holmes moved

That the House take a recess of ten minutes, and have the Hall lighted up, fires made, &c., with a view of holding a night session.

The motion prevailed.

After the lapse of ten minutes, the House was called to order by the Speaker.

Mr. Nixon moved

A call of the House.

Present—

Messrs. Algee, Ball, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Donelson, Easterly Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Runnels, Snodgrass, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Travis, Wallace, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—48.

On motion of Mr. Cavitt,

The House adjourned till 9½ o'clock, to-morrow morning, for want of a quorum.

THURSDAY MORNING, JANUARY 10, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker presented the following communication, which was received and read :

NASHVILLE, Jan. 10, 1856.

Dear Sir—The remains of our late fellow-citizen, Maj. Thomas Claiborne, will be buried to-day with Masonic honors. As Maj. Claiborne was, on different occasions, a member of the Legislature of Tennessee, and as he had served the State in the Congress of the United States, I have thought it not improper to invite the members of the House of Representatives to attend his funeral from his House, this day at 10 o'clock.

I have the honor to be,

Very Respectfully,

Your ob't serv't,

JOHN S. DASHIELL,
Grand Master.

HON. NEILL S. BROWN,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The Speaker also presented a communication from the Cashier of the Union Bank of Tennessee, exhibiting the condition of said

Bank on the 8th inst. The Communication was received and laid on the table.

Mr. Cook tendered the invitation of the Tennessee and Alabama Railroad Company to the members of the House of Representatives, to travel on said road, free of charge, during the session of the General Assembly, accompanied by a free ticket for each member of the House.

Mr. Holmes moved

To accept the invitation, and return the thanks of the House to said Railroad Company.

The motion prevailed.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Speaker Brown, for two days, to enable him to give attention to important business in the Supreme Court of the State, now in session at Nashville.

Mr. Holmes entered a motion

To reconsider the vote, passing Bill, No. 249, to incorporate the Mineral Railroad Company of East Tennessee, and for other purposes.

Mr. Davie asked and obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 384.

Mr. Harris presented a Memorial from the President of the East Tennessee and Virginia Railroad Company, praying an endorsement by the State of the bonds of said company, to the amount of two hundred thousand dollars ;

Which was received and read, and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Cox moved

That the House adjourn till 2 o'clock, this afternoon, to afford members an opportunity to attend the funeral of Maj. Thomas Claiborne, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

The motion prevailed, and the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Cook, from the Committee on Tippling and Tippling Houses, reported a bill in lieu of Bill, No. 67, entitled A bill to be entitled An act to suppress Tippling and Tippling Houses, and for other purposes,

With recommendation that the bill pass.

Also, reported on Bill, No. 1, to suppress Tippling, and for other purposes,

With recommendation of a majority of said committee that it pass.

Also, on Bill, No. 121, to prohibit the adulterating vinous or spirituous liquors in this State, &c.,

With the recommendation of the majority of the committee, that the bill pass.

Mr. Mabry introduced Bill, No. 471, for the benefit of the Mc-Minnville and Winchester Railroad Company;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, introduced Bill, No. 472, to incorporate Trustees of the Elk Presbytery of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported on Bill, No. 56, to repeal the Tippling Law,

As correctly engrossed.

Mr. White, from the Committee on New Counties and County Lines, reported on Bill, No. 353, for the benefit of Union county, and recommended the adoption of a bill in lieu.

Mr. Cowden introduced Bill, No. 473, to incorporate the Odd Fellows' Female Institute in the town of Cornersville, Giles county;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Travis, from the Committee on Law Reform, reported on Bills, Nos. 47, 241, 245, 247, and requested, as the said Committee had already reported a bill in lieu of all bills which had been referred to them, that the House would pass the bill in lieu, and discharge the Committee from the further consideration of the above mentioned bills.

Mr. Burch introduced Bill, No. 474, to extend the Criminal Laws;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Stovall called for the special order, being all bills in relation to the Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Newman moved

To postpone the special order until Monday, the 13th inst.

The motion failed.

The bills composing the special order were then ordered to be taken up in their order.

Bill, No. 1, to suppress Tippling, and for other purposes,

Was taken up.

Mr. Harris moved

To strike out so much of the bill as gives the Grand Juries of the State inquisitorial power.

Mr. Nixon offered, a bill in lieu.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To lay the bill in lieu on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Temple moved

That the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole, to consider of bills in relation to the Liquor Traffic.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Holmes was called to the Chair.

At 5 o'clock, P. M., the Committee rose and reported progress, and asked leave to sit to-morrow.

Mr. Nixon moved

That the Committee have leave to sit to-morrow.

The motion prevailed.

On motion

The House adjourned till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY MORNING, JANUARY 11, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Donelson presented a petition from Jo. C. Guild and other citizens of Sumner county, praying for the enactment of a law authorizing the County Court of Sumner county to appoint an agent to settle with the Collector of the Railroad Tax of said county, and to discharge the bonds of the county;

Which was received by the House and read.

Mr. Nixon, from the Committee on Claims, reported on the petition of sundry citizens of Shelby county, for the relief of Jeremiah Massey, and asked to be discharged from the further consideration of the same.

The House discharged the Committee from its further consideration.

Also, on Bill, No. 424, for the benefit of the widow of the late Able R. Chaney, former Jailor of the county of Monroe,

And recommended its rejection.

Also, on Bill, No. 430, for the benefit of the heirs of Thomas Crutchfield, deceased,

And recommended its rejection.

Mr. Donelson introduced Bill, No. 475, authorizing the County Court of Sumner to appoint a Railroad Agent;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Bullen introduced Resolution, No. 129, as follows:

Resolved, That the Committee on Tippling and Tippling Houses be requested to report on all the bills before them at as early a day

as possible, and that all bills on the subject of traffic in ardent spirits be made the special order for the 15th instant, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

The resolution, under the rule, was laid over one day.

Mr. Harris moved

That the House resolve itself into Committee of the Whole, on the subject of traffic in ardent spirits.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Holmes was called to the Chair.

At 5 o'clock, P. M., the Committee rose and reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

On motion,

Leave to sit again was granted.

Mr. Dortch, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Committee to whom was referred House Bill, No. 199, entitled A bill to provide for the payment of certain State bonds, in connection with Senate Bill, No. 98, upon the same subject, have had the same under consideration, and direct me to report that they recommend the passage of Senate's Bill in lieu.

They have had under consideration also the following petitions : One on the subject of Brokers and Exchange-dealers, from sundry citizens of the city of Memphis, and another upon the subject of giving the collection of taxes to the constables of the several districts of the various counties of this State, from sundry citizens of the county of Robertson.

Also, House Bill, No. 99, entitled A bill granting merchants the right to sell goods, wares and merchandise without license, in certain cases, and direct me to report that they recommend their rejection by the House.

W. B. DORTCH,
Chairman Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Cook, from the Committee on Tippling and Tippling Houses, reported that said Committee had been unable to agree on the various bills and petitions which had been referred to them, and requested to be discharged from their further consideration.

The House discharged the Committee, as requested.

On motion of Mr. Bullen,

The House adjourned till 7 o'clock, to-night.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Harris moved

To take up Senate Bill, No. 75, to authorize the Comptroller to appoint a deputy.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Meek offered an amendment, providing for the bill to go into effect from and after its passage.

Mr. Newman offered an amendment as to the title of the bill: inserting "Acting Assistant Comptroller," instead of "Deputy."

Mr. Bullen offered an amendment, providing that the Deputy Comptroller should only be authorized to sign the State Bonds and the Free Bank notes that may be ordered to be issued.

Mr. Brien called the previous question.

The call was sustained by the House.

The bill then passed second reading, and was referred to the Committee on Banks.

Mr. Harris moved

That the House resolve itself into Committee of the Whole, to consider of the liquor traffic.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Burch was called to the Chair.

At 10 o'clock, the Committee rose, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted the Committee to sit again, as requested.

On motion of Mr. Cook,

The House adjourned till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY MORNING, JANUARY 12, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, presented a petition from citizens of South side of Forked Deer River, in Madison county, praying that power be given to the County Court Clerk to appoint a deputy, to reside in Denmark;

Which was received and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that

Bill, No. 187, to incorporate the Synodical College, in the county of Fayette, was correctly enrolled.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, from the Committee on Education and Common Schools, reported on Bill, No. 460, to divide the Academic fund of Smith county, between Geneva Academy and Carthage Female Academy, and for other purposes.

No. 466, to establish Rural Vale District, in Munroe county.

Bill, No. 321, authorizing the Trustees of Overton county, to pay out certain school funds arising from the sale of lands.

To this bill the Committee recommend an amendment, and recommend that the foregoing bills be passed.

The Committee recommend a bill, in lieu of Bill, No. 28, to amend the school laws of Tennessee, and recommend the passage of the bill in lieu.

The Committee recommend an amendment to Bill, No. 366, to amend an act passed March 1, 1854, incorporating the Tazewell Female Academy, and for other purposes; and that, as amended, the bill pass.

On Bill, No. 102, for the benefit of parents and guardians, and recommend its rejection.

Also, on a petition from citizens of Warren county, and recommend the rejection of prayer thereof.

R. H. WOOD,
Chairman.

Mr. White, from the Committee on New Counties and County Lines, reported on Bill, No. 297, to repeal an act passed the 21st day of February, 1852, entitled

An act to change the line dividing the counties of Perry and Wayne, and asked to be discharged from its further consideration.

On motion of Mr. Bullen,

Bill, No. 109, to define the duties of overseers of public county roads, and road tax, was re-referred to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. Rudd introduced Bill, No. 476, to amend the act of 1854, chap. 95, passed 20th February, 1854;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Education and Common Schools.

Mr. Armstrong introduced Bill, No. 477, to authorize James McNeilly and Hugh Blair to erect a dam across Little Pigeon River;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Watkins introduced Bill, No. 478, to provide for the times of holding Circuit and Chancery Courts in the counties of Giles and Marshall;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Parks introduced Bill, No. 479, to regulate the fees of Coroners;

Which passed first reading.

The House was then resolved into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of the liquor question ;

Mr. Cavitt in the Chair.

At 12½ o'clock, the Committee rose, reported that they were unable to come to any conclusion on the subject which had been referred to them, and asked to be discharged from its further consideration.

The House discharged the Committee, as requested.

Mr. Davie returned Bill, No. 54, to charter the Bank of America, which had been withdrawn for amendment.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Temple for Monday and Tuesday next, on account of urgent business.

Mr. Bobo moved

That the House adjourn till Monday morning, 9 o'clock.

Mr. Thomas moved

That the House adjourn till 9 o'clock, Tuesday morning.

The longest time being first in order, the question was submitted on the motion of Mr. Thomas,

And the motion failed.

The question was next submitted on the motion of Mr. Bobo, The ayes and noes being demanded by Mr. Thomas.

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Davie, DeWitt, Fort, Galbreath, Galloway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Looney, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Stovall, Temple, Ward, Watkins, and White—25.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Dortch, Easterly, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Runnels, Richey, Smith, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman—39.

The motion failed.

Mr. Gleaves moved

That the House adjourn till 10½ o'clock, Monday morning.

The motion prevailed, and the House adjourned.

MONDAY MORNING, JANUARY 14, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Holmes presented a Petition from citizens of Shelby county,

asking an appropriation to the Widows' and Orphans' Asylum of the City of Memphis;

Which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, asked leave of absence for Mr. Wood, of Cannon, on account of sickness in his family;

Which was granted.

The Speaker presented the reports from the Ocoee Bank and Planters' Bank;

Which were received and referred to the Committee on Banks.

Mr. Bullen from the Committee on Public Roads and Highways, reported on Bill. No. 449, to amend the 13th section of an act entitled An act in relation to public roads, passed 1804, chap. 1,

And recommended its passage.

Mr. Parks offered Resolution, No. 130:

Resolved, That in motions to adjourn, the shortest time shall be first in order;

Which was laid over under the rule.

The House then resumed the consideration of the unfinished business, being Bill, No. 1, to suppress Tippling, and for other purposes.

Mr. Harris withdrew his motion, to strike out the inquisitorial power conferred in the bill.

The House then entered upon the consideration of the bill, by separate sections.

The first section was adopted.

Mr. Galbreath moved

To strike out the words "or plantation" the second section.

Mr. Bullen moved

To amend the amendment by also striking out the word "premises;"

Which was accepted.

Mr. Tipton called for the previous question.

The House refused to sustain the call.

The motion of Mr. Galbreath failed.

Mr. Parks moved

To strike out the words "any quantity," in the second section, and insert, "by the quart or any larger quantity."

Mr. Newman moved

To amend the motion, so as to strike out the remainder of the bill.

Mr. Harris moved

To lay the amendment offered by Mr. Parks on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Algee offered an amendment, proposing to insert after the first proviso:

Provided a majority of the legal voters in the civil district or corporation where the person or persons reside, wishing to sell the same, vote in favor of said sale.

Mr. Pope proposed to amend the amendment, as follows:

And be it further enacted, That a "taster" be appointed in each civil district, whose duty it shall be to taste the "critter" and determine its quality, which, if bad liquor shall be condemned—but if good liquor, shall be recommended.

Mr. Brien moved

To lay the amendment offered by Mr. Algee on the table;

Upon which motion the ayes and noes were demanded.

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—41.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Hatton, Holmes, Looney, Meek, Parks, Runnels, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—25.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	41
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Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25
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The amendment was laid on the table.

The second section was adopted.

Mr. Bullen moved

To strike out the third section, but withdrew it.

Mr. Nixon moved

To strike out of the third section the words "and intent."

The motion failed.

Mr. Kimble moved

To strike out the words "for the purpose and intent of being drank," and insert the words "and drink the same."

The motion failed.

Mr. Runnels moved

To strike out the words "as a beverage."

Mr. Brien moved

To lay the motion on the table.

The motion prevailed, and

Mr. Runnels' motion was laid on the table.

Mr. Cowden moved

To strike out the entire third section.

The motion failed.

The third section was then adopted.

Mr. Stovall moved

To strike out of the fourth section the words "or used."

Mr. Cobb moved

To strike out the words "as a beverage."

Mr. Bullen moved

To strike out the words "or any other public place."

Mr. Parks moved

To insert the words "publicly" after the word "or."

The motion of Mr. Parks failed.

Mr. Dortch moved

To lay the amendment of Mr. Nixon on the table.

The motion failed.

The amendment was adopted, and "or used" was stricken out.

Mr. Tipton moved

To insert the words "or given away as a treat."

Mr. Stovall moved

To lay the amendment of Mr. Tipton on the table.

Mr. Tipton called for the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Campbell, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—35.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Looney, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown.—32.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32

The motion prevailed, and the amendment was laid on the table.

The motion of Mr. Cobb, to strike out the words "as a beverage," prevailed.

Mr. Tipton, moved

To strike out the words "to be sold."

Mr. Brien called for the previous question.

The call was sustained.

Upon the adoption of the fourth section Mr. Brien demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cobb, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Runnels, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—44.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Campbell, Cloud, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Kimble, Kinney, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Watkins, Whiteside, and Wood of Hardeman—23.

The motion prevailed, and the fourth section was adopted.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled Act
To incorporate the Knoxville Building and Loan Association ;
And enrolled Resolution,
Appointing Commissioners to investigate the Rogersville Branch
of the Bank of Tennessee, and extending the time for said Com-
missioners to report until the 25th inst. ;

And the same have been deposited with the Secretary of State.
The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled Act, entitled
An act to incorporate the Winchester Building and Loan Asso-
ciation ;

And the same is herewith transmitted for the signature of the
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has amended and passed on third reading, House
Bills, No. 76, entitled

A bill to incorporate the McMinnville and Sparta Turnpike Com-
pany ; and,

No. 260, to incorporate Rotherwood Classical Seminary in Haw-
kins county ;

And the Senate has passed also on third reading Senate Bills :
No. 130, for the benefit of the Tennessee Hospital for the Insane ;
No. 122, for the benefit of children in fractional townships,
where any township is divided by county lines ; and

No. 152, to incorporate the Murfreesboro Gas Light Company ;
And the same are herewith transmitted for the action of the
House.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The House resumed the consideration of Bill, No. 1.

The fifth section of the bill was adopted.

Mr. Holmes offered an amendment to the bill, as follows :

Be it further enacted, That if any person, selling liquors, as
aforesaid, shall knowingly and wilfully keep a disorderly house, or
permit gaming in his said house, or on his premises, or sell to any

slave without a permit in writing, and be convicted thereof, shall be forever afterwards disabled under this law from selling liquors of any kind, and shall be subject to the penalties of the fifth section of this act.

Mr. Cowden moved

To amend the amendment by inserting the word "minor" after the word "slave."

The amendment of Mr. Cowden was accepted by Mr. Holmes, and the amendment was adopted.

Mr. Looney offered an amendment, as follows :

Be it further enacted, That all license obtained, or which may hereafter be obtained, by any person or persons under the license law of 1846, now in force, before the expiration of the license under which he or they are now selling, shall be null and void, and it shall be the duty of the Clerks of the County Courts of this State to refund any money they may have received in conflict with the provisions of this section.

Mr. Newman moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

Upon which motion,

Mr. Looney called for the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Tompkins, Wallace, Watkins, Whiteside, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—41.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Brien, Carlock, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney Meek, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Thomas, Tipton, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Wilson of Marshall—27.

The motion prevailed, and the amendment was laid on the table.

Mr. Bullen moved

To strike out the inquisitorial power in the bill.

Mr. DeWitt called for the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Tipton, Travis, Whiteside—36.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Nixon, Parks, Runnels, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—31.

The motion prevailed.

The sixth section was then adopted.

Mr. Davie offered an amendment, as follows :

Be it enacted, That all incorporated towns in this State be, and they are hereby, authorized and empowered, as a part of their incorporate privileges, to pass such other laws and ordinances, in addition to the law hereby enacted, as they may deem proper to restrain the sale and use of vinous or spirituous liquors. Provided the same are not inconsistent with the Constitution of the State.

Mr. Nixon moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

Mr. Davie called for the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Watkins, Whiteside, and Wood of Hardeman—33.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Runnels, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—34.

The motion failed.

Mr. Bullen moved

A suspension of the business before the House, in order to take a recess of five minutes, preparatory to meeting the Senate in convention, for the purpose of electing a Register of the Land Office for the Eastern Division of the State.

The motion prevailed, and the House took a recess accordingly.

At the expiration of the recess, the House was called to order.

Mr. Bullen called for the ayes and noes, on the adoption of the amendment offered by Mr. Davie.

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—33.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly Fort, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman—36.

Ayes, - - - - - 33

Noes, - - - - - 36

The amendment was rejected.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :—

The Senate has adopted the following Resolution, No. 60 ; and I am directed, forthwith, to transmit the same to the House of Representatives :

Resolved, That the Senate meet the House of Representatives in the Hall of the latter, on this day, to elect a Register of the Eastern Division of this State.

On motion of Mr. Burch,

The Message was taken up, and the Resolution adopted.

The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the action of the House.

A Message was received from the Senate, informing the House that the Senate had taken recess, preparatory to meeting the House in Convention.

The Speaker and members of the Senate were received in the Hall of the House, and the two Houses went into Convention.

In Convention.

Mr. Heek moved a call of the Convention.

Senators—all present.

Representatives absent—Messrs. Bartlett, Fielder, Gallaway, Taylor, Temple, and Wood of Cannon—6.

Mr. Newman nominated A. B. Small, of the county of Knox.

Mr. White nominated Jacob Havelly, of the county of Knox.

For Mr. Small—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—37. Senators, 11. Total, 48.

For Mr. Havelly—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Brszelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Thomas Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—32. Senators, 13. Total, 45.

For Mr. Small,	-	-	-	-	-	48
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For Mr. Havelly,	-	-	-	-	-	45
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A. B. Small, of the county of Konx, having received a majority of the votes cast, he was declared by the President duly and constitutionally elected Register of the Land Office, for East Tennessee, for four years from the expiration of the term of the present incumbent.

The members of the Senate withdrew to their chamber, and the House resumed its business.

Mr. Parks offered an amendment as follows :

Be it enacted, That before any person shall sell any vinous or spirituous liquors under this act, such person shall first enter into bond, with two or more solvent sureties, before the Clerk of his, her, or their County Court, in the sum of five hundred dollars, conditioned faithfully to comply with any judgment, sentence, or decree of any court of record, rendered against such person for a violation of the said law.

On motion of Mr. Bullen,

The amendment of Mr. Parks was laid on the table.

Mr. Brazelton offered an amendment, as follows :

Be it enacted, That all moneys arising by fines, or otherwise, under the provisions of this act, shall go into, and constitute a part of, the Common School Fund of the State, and be distributed as other school moneys are now distributed.

The amendment was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Bullen, the last section of the bill was amended, by striking out the words "take effect from and after its passage, provided the same does."

The section was then adopted.

Mr. Cavitt entered a motion to reconsider all the votes adopting the various sections of the bill.

Bill, No. 56½ to repeal the Tippling Law, and regulate the making and sale of spirituous liquors,

Was rejected.

Mr. Thomas asked and obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 181, to restrict dram shops, and to regulate the sale of spirituous liquors.

Mr. Parks asked and obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 104, to amend section 1, of an act passed 23d January, 1846, entitled

An act to tax and regulate Tippling and Tippling Houses, and to increase the revenue.

Bill, No. 67, to suppress intemperance, and the bill in lieu thereof, offered by the Committee on Tippling and Tippling Houses,

Were taken up.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, moved

The indefinite postponement of the original bill, and the bill in lieu.

Mr. Runnels called for the ayes and noes ;

Pending which,

The House adjourned till to-night, at 7 o'clock.

NIGHT SESSION.

The regular order was, on motion of Mr. Burch, suspended, and Resolution, No. 128, in relation to the establishment of a Naval Depot at Brunswick, in the State of Georgia,

Was taken up.

Mr. Holmes offered an amendment, as follows :

Resolved, That we instruct our Senators, and request our Representatives, to vote for, and use their influence, if in the event of a re-tender, on the part of the city authorities of the city of Memphis, of the Navy Yard located at said place, for the re-establishment of the naval yard at the aforementioned place.

Mr. Holmes asked and obtained leave to withdraw the amendment for revision.

On motion of Mr. Burch,

A Special Committee of three was appointed, consisting of Messrs. Burch, Holmes, and Dunnington, to which the resolution was referred.

The House then resumed the consideration of Bill, No. 67, to suppress intemperance.

The matter under consideration being the motion of Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, to indefinitely postpone the bill, and bill in lieu ;

Which motion he withdrew.

Mr. Cowden renewed the motion, but withdrew it.

Mr. Cavitt offered a bill in lieu of the original bill and the amendment.

Mr. Newman moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill and the amendments.

Mr. Dortch called for a division of the question.

Mr. Newman withdrew his motion, to enable Mr. Cavitt to withdraw his amendment.

Mr. Harris moved

To amend the caption of the bill, so that it will read "A bill to prohibit the sale of liquor, and for other purposes."

The bill offered in lieu by the Committee, was rejected.

Mr. Cowden moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

Mr. Runnels called for the ayes and noes :

Ayes--Messrs. Algee, Ball, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatten, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Snodgrass, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—53.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cook, Runnels, and Wallace—8.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	53
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8

The motion prevailed, and the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Bill, No. 70, to ascertain the will of the people of Tennessee in regard to the restraint of the sale of spirituous liquors.

Mr. Meek moved

To amend, so as to fill the blank in the bill so as to hold said election provided for in the bill, on the first Thursday in August, 1856, and the return of said vote to be made at the next Legislature.

Mr. Harris moved

To indefinitely postpone.

Mr. Armstrong demanded the ayes and noes on the motion :

Ayes—Messrs. Brien, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Cobb, Colburn, Colquet, Cowden, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Kimble, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—40.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cook, Davie, Dortch, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Meek, Parks, Runnels, Snodgrass, Wallace, White, and Wilson of Carroll—21.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	40
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	21

The motion prevailed, and the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Bill, No. 88, to repeal the quart law,

Was taken up.

Mr. Hatton moved

Its indefinite postponement.

The motion prevailed, and the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Bill, No. 90, to repeal all laws now in this State, prohibiting the sale of spirituous liquors in less quantities than a quart,

Was taken up.

Mr. Cavitt offered an amendment, in lieu of the bill.

Mr. Tipton moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill and amendment.

Mr. Cavitt called for the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Brien, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Stovall, Tipton, Tompkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—32.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Burch, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cook, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Runnels, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Travis, Wallace, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—29.

The motion prevailed, and the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Bill, No. 121, prohibiting the adulterating of spirituous or vinous liquors in this State, &c.,

Was taken up.

Mr. Newman moved

To strike out that part of the bill that compels the seller to take an oath, &c.

Mr. Tipton moved

To amend the bill, so as to exempt liquors made in this State from inspection.

Mr. Dortch called the previous question.

The call was sustained.

On the passage of the bill, Mr. Tipton called for the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Gleaves, Holmes, Little, Looney, Masseng Meek, Myatt, Parks, Pope, Runnels, Snodgrass, Thomas, Travis, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Wood of Cannon—32.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Cowden, Donelson, Easterly, Fort, Gilbert, Harris, Hatton, Kimble, Kinney Mabry, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Stovall, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—28.

Bill passed second reading.

Mr. Pogue moved

To adjourn till to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

The motion failed.

Bill, No. 162, to regulate the sale of spirituous and vinous liquors in this State,

Was taken up.

Mr. Bullen offered a bill in lieu.

Mr. Looney moved

To amend the title of the bill to A bill to prohibit the use and sale of spirituous and vinous liquors in this State.

Mr. Bullen called for the ayes and noes.

Mr. Looney withdrew his motion.

The bill in lieu was adopted.

Mr. Newman moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

The motion prevailed.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 15, 1865.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Ball presented a petition from citizens of Hawkins, Granger, Jefferson and Greene, in favor of the formation of a new county out of the territory of said counties.

Mr. Davie, from the Committee on Banks, reported on Senate Bill, No. 75, to authorize the Comptroller to appoint a deputy,

And recommended the passage of the bill, with certain amendments.

Mr. Snodgrass presented the report of the Commissioners appointed to investigate the Branch of the Bank of Tennessee, at Sparta ;

Which was received and laid on the table.

Mr. Looney introduced a Bill, No. 480, providing for the future management of the State Hospital, at Nashville, and for other purposes ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, introduced bill, No. 481, to amend the act passed 1835, ch. 15 ;

Which passed first reading. ..

Mr. Gleaves moved

The appointment of a Special Committee of five, to which, Bill, No. 480, shall be referred.

The motion prevailed, and the Speaker announced as said committee, Messrs. Gleaves, Snodgrass, Colquet, Meek, and Wood of Hardeman.

Mr. Wilson, of Carroll, introduced Bill, No. 482, to charter the Huntingdon and Rockport Turnpike Company ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. Holmes introduced Bill, No. 483, to confer upon the Circuit and Common Law Courts of this State, jurisdiction in cases of salvage ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to Judiciary Committee.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

I herewith transmit for the action of the House of Representatives :

A Memorial, No. 431, from citizens of Marshall county, praying for a charter for a railroad from Shelbyville *via* Lewisburg and Pualaski, to the Alabama line, with State aid.

Also, Senate Resolution, No. 59, to raise a Joint Select Committee

to report a bill to regulate fees of Clerks, of County Sheriffs, Constables, &c. ;

Which resolution has been adopted by the Senate, and Messrs. Steele and Turney appointed a committee on the part of the Senate, under the same.

Mr. Dunnington introduced Bill, No. 484, for the benefit of the Tennessee and Alabama Railroad, and the Central Southern Railroad ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Dunnington offered Resolution, No. 131, as follows :

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That, for the purpose of expediting public business, and disposing of such as is now upon the Calendar, no original bill shall be introduced into either House after the first day of February next, without the consent of two thirds of the House into which it is proposed to introduce such bill ;

Which was laid over under the rule.

Mr. Dunnington, from the Special Committee appointed to enquire and report the number of Acts and Journals which shall be printed for distribution in the various counties in the State, reported that said committee had discharged its duty, and recommended the printing of 4,000 numbers of the Acts, and 1400 numbers of the Journals of the House and Senate, and offered a resolution providing for the same. (See appendix.)

Mr. Dunnington also introduced a resolution, providing for the printing of extra copies of the same.

Mr. Dunnington moved

A suspension of the rule ;

The motion prevailed, and

The Resolution was amended and adopted.

The report was adopted ;

And, on motion of Mr. Galbreath,

Was ordered to be transmitted at once to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Looney,

The Senate Message, transmitting Senate Resolution appointing a Joint Select Committee to prepare a bill, regulating the fees of the Clerks of the Supreme Court, Chancery, Circuit and County Courts, Sheriffs, Coronors, Constables, and Justices of the Peace, in all cases,

Was taken up.

The Resolution was adopted.

The House filling the blank with four as a committee on part of the House.

The Speaker appointed, as Committee on the part of the House, Messrs. Looney, Parks, Nixon, and Brown of Madison.

Mr. Cavitt offered a Resolution, No. 132; as follows :

Whereas, Very many members of the this House have been sick during the present session ; and whereas, it is believed by many

persons, that a part of such sickness originates from this Hall; therefore,

Resolved, That Messrs. Gleaves, Gilbert, Colquet, Kimble and Snodgrass, be appointed a Committee to examine the condition of this Hall, and report to this House, whether or not, in their opinion, the health of members could be improved by any change in ventilation in the usual temperature or otherwise.

The rule was suspended, and the resolution was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Tompkins,

The regular business was suspended, and

Senate Bill, No. 152, to incorporate the Murfreesboro Gas Light Company,

Was taken up, and passed its first reading.

On motion of Mr. Harris,

Senate Bill, No. 75, to authorize the Comptroller to appoint a Deputy,

Was taken up.

The amendment proposed by the Committee on Banks

Was adopted.

Several amendments were propose, but withdrawn before any action was taken upon them.

Mr. Burch offered a bill in lieu of the bill and amendments;

Which was adopted.

The bill then passed its third reading.

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Kimble, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Watkins, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Harde-man, and Mr. Speaker Brown—51.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Colquet, Cowden, Fort, Gallaway, Looney, Mathis, Pogue, Ward, White, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—15.

The bill was ordered, on motion of Mr. Meek, to be immediately transmitted to the Senate.

Mr. Little moved

To take up Bill, No. 358.

The motion failed.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, moved

To proceed with the regular order, being the consideration of the various bills in to relation liquor, and the sale and laws regulating the sale of the same.

The motion prevailed.

Bill, No. 163, To amead the act of 1799, chapter 10, and the act of January 23, 1846, entitled An act to regulate and tax Tip-

pling and Tippling Houses, and increase the revenue, and to encourage Temperance,

Was taken up.

Mr. Nixon moved

To strike out the enacting clause;

Which motion prevailed.

Bill, No. 188, to locate the "critter," and to increase the School Fund,

Was taken up.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, offered a bill in lieu.

Mr. Nixon moved

To indefinitely postpone the bill and the bill in lieu.

Mr. Brazelton called for the previous question;

The call was sustained.

Upon the passage of the bill, the ayes and noes were demanded by Mr. Brazelton:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Runnels, Thomas, Tipton, Wallace, Ward, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—23.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Tompkins, Travis, Watkins, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Harde-man—47.

The bill was rejected.

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Bill, No. 239, to protect innocent and civil persons from being disturbed by drunkards,

Was taken up.

Mr. Mathis offered a bill in lieu.

Mr. Gilbert moved

To strike out the word "merchandize," and insert "hardware;"
Which was adopted.

Mr. Mathis, by leave of Mr. Holmes,
Withdrew the bill in lieu.

Mr. Brien, by leave of the House,
Withdrew the original bill.

Mr. Brien moved

To take up the motion entered to reconsider the vote passing
bill, No. 1, to suppress Tippling, and for other purposes.

The motion prevailed, and

The motion was taken up.

The House refused to reconsider the vote passing the bill.

Mr. Newman moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

The ayes and noes being demanded, were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Cavitt, Cloud, Colburn, Colquet, Davie, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gilbert, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Stovall, Travis, Wallace, Watkins, Whiteside, and Wood of Hardeman—31.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Carmichael, Cobb, Cook, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Runnels, Rudd, Smith, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—35.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, renewed the amendment offered by Mr. Davie on yesterday, extending certain legislative powers to incorporated towns.

Mr. Nixon moved

To strike out the 4th section of the bill.

Mr. Dunnington offered an amendment as follows:

Provided, That before any person shall offer sale any spirituous, vinous or malt liquors, he shall execute to the Chairman of the County Court, in the county where said liquors is to be sold, a bond, with two good and sufficient securities, to be approved by said Chairman; conditioned that in the event such person, or his or her agent, shall sell to any slave, free person of color, or minor, unless said slave or minor shall have a written permit from the master or mistress, or guardian, authorizing the same, then such person and his securities shall be liable to a penalty of one hundred dollars, which may be recovered at the suit of said master, mistress, parent, guardian, or any informer, one half of which penalty shall go to the prosecutor, and the other half to the county; and provided further, any person shall sell without first having executed such bond, he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined and imprisoned, at the discretion of the court trying the same.

Mr. Tipton called for the previous question.

The House refused to sustain the call.

Pending discussion on this measure,

The House adjourned till to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 16, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Pogue presented a petition from citizens of Wayne county, praying that the State tax for the year 1856 be relinquished to said county to be appropriated to the erection of a College at Clifton;

Which was received and referred to the Committee on Education and Common Schools.

Also, introduced a Bill, No. 485, appropriating \$1500 to the Trustees of the Clifton College, in the county of Wayne, to assist in building a College, for the purpose of educating the indigent and orphan children that may be sent to it free of charge;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Education and Common Schools.

Also, a Bill, No. 486, to incorporate the Trustees of Clifton College, in the town of Clifton, Wayne county, Tennessee;

Which passed first reading.

Also, a Bill, No. 487, to incorporate the town of Clifton, in Wayne county, Tennessee;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that Bill, No. 260, to incorporate Rotherwood Classical Seminary, in Hawkins county, and Locust Hill Female Seminary, near Salem, in Franklin county, Tennessee,

Were correctly engrossed.

Mr. Richey introduced Bill, No. 488, for the benefit of citizens living near railroads;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Hatton introduced Bill, No. 489, to incorporate the Three Forks Institute;

Which passed first reading.

Also, Bill, No. 490, to incorporate the Educational Society of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church;

Which passed first reading.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Senate has passed on third and last reading, House Bill (No. 305) entitled A bill to be entitled An act to amend an act entitled An act to charter the South Western Railroad Company, and for other purposes, passed January 31, 1852, with sundry amendments ;

And the same is herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Myatt introduced Bill, No. 491, to permanently establish the line between the counties of Morgan, Fentress and Scott, and for other purposes ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on New Counties and County Lines.

Mr. Holmes introduced Bill, No. 492, to incorporate the Agricultural Memphis Fair Grounds ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures.

Mr. Dortch, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Committee to whom were referred sundry bills and petitions, have had the same under consideration, and directed me to report as follows : That upon the various petitions upon the Merchants' Tax, and a bill to amend the Revenue Laws of this State, (House Bill, No. 309,) they have instructed me to report a bill to carry out the prayer of petitions, and in lieu of Bill, No. 309, and recommend its passage. That upon the petition of the Trustees of the Memphis Hospital, praying the sale of said Hospital grounds and buildings, they offer a bill in lieu, and recommend its passage. Upon Senate Resolution, No. 45, directory to Secretary of State, and House Bill, No. 289, a bill to furnish certain officers of Sullivan county with the Acts of 1853-4, and copies of Nicholson & Caruthers', and Nicholson's Supplement, with various amendments, offer a bill in lieu, and recommend its passage. And upon petition of the citizens of Knoxville, for the appropriation of money to establish a State Hospital at said place, offer a bill in lieu, and recommend its passage.

W. B. DORTCH,

Chairman Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Wallace presented a petition from citizens of Anderson county to establish and define the dividing line between the counties of Anderson and Roane.

Also, a Bill, No. 493,

To establish and define the lines, between the counties of Campbell, Anderson, and Roane ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Burch offered a Resolution, No. 135, as follows :

Resolved, That the members of this House be requested to return to this House all the Reports of the Comptroller of the Treasury, and Trustees of the Lunatic Asylum, which they have in their possession.

Mr. Dunnington moved a suspension of the rule.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, moved

To amend by adding, "and that they account for such as they have sent off."

Mr. Snodgrass moved

To amend so that the resolution shall apply to all documents printed by the House.

Mr. Cowden called for the previous question.

The call was sustained,

And the resolution, as amended, was adopted.

Mr. Cox moved

To print a thousand additional copies of the Report of the Lunatic Asylum ;

Which, on motion, was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Travis,

Bill, No. 303, to purchase the Hermitage, and establish an Agricultural and Military School,

Was taken up, and passed second reading.

Mr. Travis moved

To make the bill the special order for the 24th day of January instant.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Travis asked to be discharged from the Special Committee, appointed to examine the property, &c., and that Mr. Nixon be substituted in his place.

Mr. Looney moved

To amend by adding Mr. Nixon to the committee.

The amendment was accepted, and the motion prevailed.

The House then took up unfinished business, being

Bill, No. 1, to suppress Tippling, and for other purposes.

Mr. Gallaway moved to lay the bill on the table.

The motion failed.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, moved

To amend the amendment offered by Mr. Brown, of Madison, by striking out the word "restrain," and insert the word "regulate."

The amendment was adopted.

Upon the adoption of the amendment, as amended, Mr. Galbreath called for the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Newman, Parks, Runnels, Rudd, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tip-

ton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—36.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Cobb, Cloud, Colquet, Colburn, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, and Wood of Hardeman—33.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, moved

To strike out the words "and imprisoned," from Mr. Dunnington's amendment.

Mr. Tipton moved

To strike out the word "bond."

Mr. Galbreath offered an amendment, as follows :

Be it further enacted, That the Governor of the State be authorized to issue coupon bonds of the State to the amount of three hundred thousand dollars, running thirty years, to enable the different counties in this State to erect jails to confine convicts under the operation of this act.

Mr. Snodgrass called for the previous question.

The call was sustained.

Mr. Tipton entered a motion to reconsider the vote sustaining the call for the previous question, and moved to take up the motion.

The motion to take up failed.

Upon the passage of the bill—

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Runnels, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—29.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Davie, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Tipton, Travis, Wallace, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—41.

Mr. Cavitt moved

A reconsideration of the vote, and called for the ayes and noes :

Ayes.—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Holmes, Little, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Pope, Runnels, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker,

White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—32.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Bullen, Campbell, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Davie, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, and Wood of Hardeman—34.

The House refused to reconsider the vote.

On motion of Mr. Cowden,

Bill, No. 121, to prohibit the adulteration of vinous or spirituous liquors in this State, &c.,

Was taken up.

Mr. Tipton offered an amendment.

Mr. Brien called the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill was then rejected.

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Dortch, Dunnington, Gilbert, Holmes, Meek, Parks, Runnels, Stovall, Thomas, Travis, Ward, Welcker, White, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—24.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—42.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER:

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts, as follows, and the same have been deposited with the Secretary of State:

To incorporate the LaGrange Synodical College, in the county of Fayette,

To incorporate the Rotherwood Classical Seminary, in Hawkins county, and Locust Hill Female Seminary, near Salem, in Franklin county, and for other purposes.

The Senate has passed on third and last reading, Senate Bills, as follows:

No. 3, to regulate the rate of interest;

No. 140, to regulate the distribution of estates of intestates;

No. 104, to charter the Tennessee Marble, Mining and Manufacturing Company;

And the same are herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Tipton moved

To take up Bill, No. 330.

The motion failed.

Mr. Dunnington moved

To take up Resolution, No. 131.

The motion failed.

On motion of Mr. Algee,

The Calendar was taken up.

Bill, No. 224, to establish a Chancery Court at Montgomery, &c.,
Was withdrawn by Mr. Myatt, by leave of the House.

Bill, No. 225, to amend an act to authorize and regulate county
subscriptions to railroad stock,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 226, to amend an act passed 31st January, 1854, entitled
An act to charter the Carthage, Alexandria, and Red Sulphur
Springs Turnpike Company, &c.,

Was taken up.

The amendment proposed by the Committee was adopted.

Mr. Cook offered an amendment, to amend the charter of the
Franklin and Lewisburg Turnpike Company ;

Which was adopted and

The bill passed second reading.

Bill, No. 228, to repeal part of an act passed November 1, 1855,
as confers conventional interest,

Was withdrawn by Mr. Tipton, by leave of the House.

Bill, No. 229, to prevent debtors from defrauding creditors,

Was withdrawn by Mr. Algee, by leave of the House.

Bill, No. 230, to compel the attendance of witnesses in criminal
causes,

Was rejected.

Bill, No. 231, to amend proceedings in the collection of debts,
Was taken up.

Mr. Hatton offered an amendment, providing that it shall not be
necessary for parties complainant to obtain a judgment before filing
their bill in the Chancery Court, if they have such equity as would
entitle them to the aid of a Court of Chancery if they had a judgment.

Mr. Brien moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill and amendment.

The motion prevailed.

Bill, No. 233, to charter the Sumner, Lafayette, and Red Sulphur
Springs Turnpike Company, and secure its completion by
State credit,

Was taken up.

Mr. DeWitt offered a bill in lieu ;

Which was adopted.

Bill passed second reading.

Bill, No. 234, to incorporate the Building Company of the city of Memphis,

Was taken up.

Mr. Donelson offered an amendment, incorporating the Gallatin Building and Loan Association ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Cox offered an amendment, incorporating the South Nashville Gas Light Company ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Meek offered an amendment, incorporating the Russellville Building and Loan Association, and the Morristown Building and Loan Association ;

Which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Newman,

The caption of the bill was so amended, as to cover the various amendments.

The bill, thus amended, passed second reading.

Bill, No. 235, to authorize James Hagan, of the county of Davidson, to build a mill-dam across Stone's River,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 238, requiring the sale of lands and slaves to be advertised in a newspaper,

Was taken up.

Mr. Tipton moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill ;

Which motion failed.

Mr. Tipton moved

To strike out "eighty cents," and insert "one dollar and a half."

Mr. Called for the previous question.

The call was sustained.

On the passage of the bill, Mr. Tipton called for the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Gilbert, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Little, Looney, Meek, Newman, Stovall, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—35.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Campbell, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Donelson, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Tipton, Wallace, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—33.

The bill passed second reading.

Bill No 240, to repeal an act passed 28th February, 1852, chapter 116, entitled An act to protect the homestead,

Passed second reading, and was withdrawn by Mr. Looney for amendment.

On motion of Mr. Bartlett,

Bill, No. 193, to facilitate the taking of depositions, and to reduce the cost,

Was taken up, and the bill was rejected.

Bill, No. 243, defining the duties of Surveyors,

Was rejected.

Bill, No. 244, for the benefit of stayors in certain cases,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 246, to incorporate the Fountain Fire Company, No. 1, of the city of Knoxville,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 249, authorizing Grand Juries to send for witnesses in certain cases,

Was taken up.

The report of Judiciary Committee in recommending an amendment was non-concurred in.

Mr. Hatton offered an amendment, providing that, in all cases of the violation of the laws of this State in relation to the sale of spirituous or vinous liquors, to be inserted after the word "worship."

Mr. Bullen offered an amendment to the amendment of Mr. Hatton, as follows:

Provided, Grand Juries shall not have power to send for witnesses, only in suspected cases of violation, for sales to slaves.

Pending which, the House, on motion of Mr. Newman, adjourned till 7 o'clock, to-night.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Kinney moved

To suspend the unfinished business, and act exclusively upon business of a local character.

The motion failed.

The unfinished business was resumed.

Mr. Hatton moved

To lay the amendment, offered by Mr. Bullen, on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Newman moved

To lay the bill and amendments on the table.

Mr. Hatton demanded the ayes and noes:

Ayes—Messrs. Bobo, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Snodgrass, Tipton, and Whiteside—25.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Cook, Cowden, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Fort, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—33.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	25
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	33

The motion failed.

Upon the adoption of the amendment, Mr. Bullen demanded the ayes and noes:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Cobb, Cook, Cowden, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Fort, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—32.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Snodgrass, Tipton, and Whiteside—26.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	32
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	26

The amendment was adopted, and the bill passed second reading.

Bill, No. 249½, to amend the charter of the Columbia and Hampshire Turnpike Company, passed second reading, and was withdrawn for amendment by Messrs. Looney and Dunnington.

Bill, No. 250, to incorporate the East Tennessee Farming, Grass-growing Stock-raising, and Manufacturing Company,

Was taken up.

The bill recommended by the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures, was adopted in lieu of the original, and passed second reading.

Bill, No. 251, for the benefit of revenue collectors, and for other purposes, passed second reading.

Bill, No. 247, to prevent misunderstanding of juries,

Was taken up.

Mr. Galbreath moved

To strike out the third and fourth sections of the bill.

The motion prevailed, and the bill passed second reading, and was withdrawn by Mr. Galbreath for amendment.

Bill, No. 254, to repeal an act entitled

An act to establish a Geologist and Mineralogist, and Assayer, for the State of Tennessee, passed February 24, 1854, chap. 135, was withdrawn by Mr. Bullen,

Bill, No. 256, requiring the Clerk of the Supreme Court at Nashville, to collect and arrange the Law Library belonging to the State, passed second reading.

Bill, No. 262, for an appropriation to clear out the Hiwassee River,

Was taken up.

Mr. Colquet offered an amendment, making an appropriation for clearing out Obed's River ;

Which was adopted.

Amendments were offered by Messrs. Bobo, Galbreath, Looney, Hatton, and Brazelton.

Mr. Cobb called for the previous question.

The call was sustained.

The bill passed second reading.

Bill, No. 264, for the relief of John S. Petway,

Was taken up.

Mr. Donelson offered an amendment, providing for the relief of Dr. J. Overton ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Brown, of Davidson, (Mr. Hatton in the Chair,) moved

To amend the bill, so as to exclude the lands, mentioned in the bill and amendment, from the corporate limits of the city of Nashville ;

Which amendment was adopted.

The bill then passed second reading.

Bill, No. 265, to repeal the 1st and 2d sections of the act of 1843, chap. 9, passed second reading.

Bill, No. 266, for the relief of the heirs and devisees of M. Jules Godeau, D'Eutrigues, and Mad. Agatha Garaud D'Eutrigues, passed second reading.

On motion,

The House adjourned till to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

THURSDAY MORNING, JANUARY 17, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Algee, from Committee on Public Lands, reported on Bill, No. 333, prescribing certain duties to be performed by the Register of the Land Office, and for other purposes,

And reported a bill in lieu of the same.

Bill, No. 494, for the sale of the Memphis Hospital Grounds and Buildings, and for other purposes,

Introduced by the Committee on Ways and Means, passed first reading.

Bill, No. 495, for the benefit of the East Tennessee Hospital,

Introduced by the Committee on Ways and Means, passed first reading.

Mr. Parks introduced Resolution, No. 136, as follows :

Resolved, That this General Assembly adjourn, sine die, on Monday, the 18th February, 1856, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Mr. Cavitt moved

A suspension of the rule requiring resolutions to lie over one day.

On the motion to suspend, Mr. Parks demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, DeWitt, Donelson, Gilbert, Harris, Little, Massengill, Mathis, Parks, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis—22.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Galaway, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—45.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	22
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Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	45
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The motion to suspend failed.

Mr. Bullen introduced Resolution, No. 137, as follows :

Resolved, That it is the sense of this House, that a resolution to adjourn, sine die, is calculated to produce discussion and an unnecessary consumption of time, and should not be introduced at this time, from the fact of the multitude of business on our Calendar.

Mr. Meek moved

To suspend the rule requiring resolutions to lie over one day.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, moved

To amend by dispensing with night sessions.

Mr. Tipton moved

That the General Assembly should adjourn on the 25th inst.

The motion was ruled out of order.

Mr. Harris called for the previous question.

The call was sustained by the House.

Upon the adoption of the resolution, Mr. Harris demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Welcker, White, Whiteside, and Wood of Cannon—37.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, DeWitt, Donelson, Gilbert, Harris, Little, Looney, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—30.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	22
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	30

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Davie, by leave of the House, withdrew Bill, No. 177.

Mr. Cobb entered a motion

To reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 121, to prevent the adulterating spirituous and vinous liquors in this State, &c.

The motion to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 64, to regulate tax on slaves, entered December 3, 1855,

Was taken up.

The motion to reconsider prevailed.

Mr. Davie moved

To amend by providing that all slaves hired from another State shall be subject to State and county tax, by the hirer in this State.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Dortch moved

To strike out that portion of the bill which provides for the payment, by the hirer, of the tax on the value of the hire, in the county where the slaves are hired.

Mr. Cavitt called the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill then passed second reading, and, on motion of Mr. Davie, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The motion to reconsider vote rejecting Bill, No. 80, to repeal an act passed March 2, 1854, ch. 75, entered December 1, 1855,

Was taken up.

The House refused to reconsider.

The motion to reconsider the vote adopting Resolution, No. 103, in relation to the nullification of the Fugitive Slave Law, &c., entered December 17, 1855,

Was taken up.

Mr. Cavitt called the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

Mr. Travis demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Campbell, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—34.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—38.

The House refused to reconsider.

The motion to reconsider the vote passing Bill, No. 249, to incorporate the Mineral Railroad Company, of East Tennessee, and for other purposes, entered January 10, 1856,

Was taken up.

Upon the motion to reconsider, Mr. Cavitt demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Cavitt, Cloud, Donelson, Dunnington, Gallaway, Gilbert, Kimble, Little, Mathis, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—31.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquett, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Newman, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Tipton, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, and Whiteside—38.

The motion to reconsider failed.

The motion to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 173, to amend the act passed 2d March, 1854, entitled

An act to amend the charter of the Tennessee Marine and Fire Insurance Company, passed 25th November, 1833, and for other purposes, entered January 4, 1856,

Was taken up.

The House reconsidered vote rejecting the bill.

Mr. Davie obtained leave to withdraw the amendment to the bill heretofore offered by him and adopted.

The motion to reconsider vote rejecting Bill, No. 209, to make certain acts a misdemeanor, entered January 5, 1856,

Was taken up.

Mr. Looney obtained leave to withdraw the amendment heretofore offered by him and adopted by the House.

The motion to reconsider prevailed.

Mr. Runnels moved

To amend by including apple and peach orchards within the provisions of the bill.

Mr. Tipton moved

To lay the motion of Mr. Runnels on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Cook moved

To amend by striking out so much of the bill as imposes the penalty of imprisonment.

Mr. Cox moved

To amend the amendment of Mr. Cook, by leaving imprisonment at the discretion of the court.

Mr. Cook accepted the amendment.

The amendment, as amended, was adopted.

Mr. Cowden moved

To amend by providing that the Circuit and Criminal Judges give this act in charge to their respective Grand Juries, who, when they have a well grounded belief that the act has been violated, may send for witnesses to give evidence in relation to said violation.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

To amend by providing that unless the defendant is found guilty the Grand Jurors shall pay the costs.

Mr. DeWitt moved

To lay the amendment of Mr. Snodgrass on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Harris moved

To amend by providing that the witnesses attending before the Grand Jury should be entitled to the same per diem pay as other witnesses attending in the Circuit Courts of the State.

Mr. Smith called the previous question.

The call was sustained by the House.

The bill then passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Tompkins,

Senate Bill, No. 152, to incorporate the Murfreesboro Gas Light Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Cox offered an amendment declaring the officers and students of the Collegiate Department of the University of Nashville, a military corps.

Mr. Looney offered an amendment incorporating the Shelby General Insurance and Trust Company.

Mr. Holmes offered an amendment incorporating the Howard Association of the city of Memphis.

Mr. Davie offered an amendment incorporating the Clarksville Marine and Fire Insurance Company.

Mr. Cox offered an amendment repealing the 8th section of the Tullahoma Mining and Manufacturing Company's charter, passed 23d of January, 1852.

The bill was amended in its title to fit the various amendments. The amendments were successively adopted, and the bill then passed second reading.

The House, on motion, adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Colquet moved

To take up House Bill, No. 305, with a view of concurring in Senate's amendments to the same.

The motion failed.

Bill, No. 266½, to establish a Criminal Court in the city of Chattanooga,

Was taken up.

Mr. Burch moved

To fill the blank, as to the amount of the salary of the Judge, with eight hundred dollars.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, moved

To strike out the 15th section of the bill, but subsequently withdrew the motion.

Mr. Cavitt renewed the motion.

The motion to strike out failed.

Mr. Harris demanded the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill then passed second reading, and was, by leave of the House, withdrawn by Mr. Burch for amendment.

Bill, No. 253, to make owners of negro slaves liable for their acts, Was taken up.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

To amend by making owners liable for acts of their "ox."

Mr. White moved

To amend the amendment of Mr. Snodgrass, by making owners liable for the acts of their "ass."

Mr. Brien moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

The motion failed.

Mr. Snodgrass withdrew his amendment.

The bill then passed second reading, and was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Wallace moved

To take up Bill, No. 353, for the benefit of Union county.

The motion prevailed, and the bill was taken up.

The bill in lieu recommended by the Committee on New Counties and County Lines,

Was adopted.

Mr. Ward offered an amendment changing the line between the counties of DeKalb and Putnam.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill passed second reading.

Bill, No. 257, to charter the Phoenix Mining and Manufacturing Company, passed second reading.

Mr. Looney returned Bill, No. 240, withdrawn by him on yesterday for amendment.

Bill, No. 267, to amend the practice in the County Courts of this State, passed second reading.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

Mr. SPEAKER :

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled act as follows, and the same is herewith transmitted for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

An act for the benefit of the East Tennessee and Virginia Railroad.

The Senate has passed on third reading Senate bills as follows, and the same are herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives :

No. 135, to secure the collection of debts contracted by County Commissioners ;

No. 117, to amend the several acts chartering a turnpike road from Tazewell to Knoxville.

The Senate has concurred in House amendment to Senate Bill, No. 75, to authorize the Comptroller to appoint a Deputy.

The Senate has passed on third reading House Bill, No. 139, entitled

A bill to authorize the President and Directors of the Bank of Tennessee, to appoint an additional Director ;

And the same is herewith transmitted for enrollment.

Bill, No. 270, to amend the civil practice in certain cases, passed second reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, moved

That a committee of five be appointed to take into consideration the remodeling the County Court system of this State.

The motion prevailed, and the Speaker appointed Messrs. Brown of Madison, Nixon, Brien, DeWitt, and White, said committee, to whom was referred Bill, No. 267.

Bill, No. 271, for the benefit of Common Schools, passed second reading.

Bill, No. 272, to amend the charter of the city of Nashville,
Was taken up.

The amendments recommended by the Committee on Incorporations, were adopted.

The bill then passed second reading.

Bill, No. 273, to amend the law in regard to killing wolves,
Was taken up.

Mr. Looney offered an amendment, declaring sheep-killing dogs wolves, and valuing their scalps as the scalps of wolves.

Mr. Stovall offered an amendment, placing same value upon the scalps of panthers and bears, as upon wolf scalps.

Mr. Brien called the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill then passed second reading.

Bill, No. 274, to amend the revenue laws of this State,
Was taken up.

Mr. Cavitt moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

The motion prevailed.

Bill, No. 276, prescribing the mode of proving open accounts before Justices of the Peace,

Was taken up and passed second reading.

Bill, No. 280, to protect the lay members of all Ecclesiastical denominations against the domination of the Clergy, passed second reading.

Bill, No. 281, to prescribe and limit the liabilities of inn-keepers, in certain cases, passed second reading.

Bill, No. 278, to amend the internal improvement acts of 1852-4,
Was taken up.

Mr. Dunnington demanded that the bill be passed section by section.

The bill then being upon its passage as demanded,

The first section was considered of.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, offered a proviso to first section, as follows :

Provided, The amount of bonds issued shall, in no case, exceed ten thousand dollars per mile.

The amendment of Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, was, by that gentleman, withdrawn.

Pending discussion upon first section of the bill,

On motion,

The House adjourned till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY MORNING, JANUARY 18, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Ball presented a petition from citizens of Grainger, Jefferson, Greene, Cocke, and Hawkins, in relation to the formation of the county of Cass.

The petition was referred to the Committee on New Counties and County Lines.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported An act to authorize the President and Directors of the Bank of Tennessee to appoint an additional Director, as correctly enrolled.

Mr. Looney introduced Resolution, No. 138, as follows :

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be required to report to this House, without delay, the condition of the finances of the State, in view of the public wants for the next ensuing two years.

Mr. Looney moved

A suspension of the rule requiring resolutions to lie over one day.

The motion prevailed, and the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, from the Committee on Education and Common Schools, reported as follows :

The Committee on Education and Common Schools, have had under consideration a Bill, No. 178, entitled A bill to establish a State Normal School, and for other purposes ;

And recommend that the blank, in section 5, be filled with 200 ; in section 8 with 50,000 ; the first blank in section 9 be filled with 5,000 ;

And that the bill, so amended, pass.

The Committee have also had before them, Bill, No. 485, entitled A bill to appropriate \$1,500 to the Trustees of the Clifton College, in the county of Wayne, to assist in building a College for the purpose of educating the indigent and orphan children that may be sent to it, free of charge.

I am directed to recommend the rejection of the bill.

Mr. Colburn returned Bill, No. 93, for the relief of the heirs of Samuel Saffell, deceased, with a bill in lieu ;

Which was adopted by the House.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon introduced Bill, No. 496, amendatory of the Quart Law ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Hatton introduced Resolution, No. 139, as follows :

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That the Committee of the two Houses upon the Penitentiary be empowered to send for, and examine upon oath, such persons as they may deem proper, touching all matters connected with the management of that institution.

Mr. Hatton moved

A suspension of the rule requiring resolutions to lie over one day.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To amend the resolution, by making it the duty of said Committee to inquire into the management of the institution from its establishment up to the present time, and report to this House what frauds, if any, have been perpetrated by its officers, and by whom.

Mr. Shemwell moved

To lay the whole subject on the table.

Upon the motion to lay on the table, Mr. Hatton demanded the ayes and noes;

Which were as follows:

Ayes—Mr. Shemwell—1.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—72.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	72

The motion failed.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, moved

To amend the amendment of Mr. Cavitt, by providing that the examination should extend six years back.

The amendment was accepted, and

The amendment, as amended, was adopted.

The resolution was then adopted.

Mr. Bobo introduced Resolution, No. 140, as follows:

Resolved, That a Special Committee of three be appointed by the Chair, to investigate the official acts of the recent Secretary of State, and that they have power to send for persons and papers, and report to this House.

Mr. Bobo moved

A suspension of the rule, requiring resolutions to lie over one day.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Tipton moved

To amend by appointing a Committee to investigate and report upon the official conduct and acts of the Governor of the State of Tennessee.

Mr. Meek moved

To lay the resolution and amendments on the table.

Upon which motion Mr. Dunnington demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett Brown of Madison, Campbell, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Fort, Gallaway, Little, Looney, Mabry, Parks, Pogue, Snodgrass, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, and Wilson of Marshall—23.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Snemwell, Smith, Taylor, Tipton, Travis, Wallace, Watkins Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—49.

The motion failed.

Mr. Shemwell moved

To amend as follows :

Resolved, That a Committee of four be appointed to investigate the conduct of members on this floor, and report who it is that has prolonged this session by their long speeches, and taking up bills out of order, to the great annoyance of the working-members.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

The indefinite postponement of the resolution and amendments, But subsequently withdrew the motion.

Mr. Tipton withdrew his amendment.

Mr. Shemwell withdrew his amendment.

The resolution was then adopted.

Resolution, No. 136, providing for an adjournment of the General Assembly on the 18th of February, 1856,

Was taken up.

Mr. Bullen moved

To strike out 18th and insert 15th.

Mr. Cavitt called the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

Mr. Parks demanded the ayes and noes upon the adoption of the resolution, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, DeWitt, Donelson, Gilbert, Harris, Little, Looney, Massengill, Mathis, Parks, Pope, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, Wilson of Carroll, and Wood of Hardeman—29.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Taylor, Temple, Wallace, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—42.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29
Foes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	42

The resolution was rejected by the House.

Resolution, No. 131, was taken up.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

To strike out so much of the resolution as makes it a joint resolution.

The motion prevailed, and the resolution was amended accordingly.

Mr. Dortch called the previous question.

The House sustained the call,

And the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Whiteside moved

To add Mr. Nixon to the Committee on the Penitentiary.

The motion prevailed, and the addition was made.

Mr. Looney moved

To add Mr. Dunnington to the Select Committee on the Reformation of the County Court System.

The motion prevailed, and the addition was made.

Mr. Bullen moved

To add Mr. Gilbert to the Committee on the Penitentiary.

The motion failed.

Mr. Dortch presented a memorial from the Agricultural Bureau, in regard to and approving of the provisions of House Bill, No. 215, and praying for its passage by the General Assembly.

Mr. Donelson moved

The reception of the memorial, and that a thousand copies be printed for the use of the members of the House.

The motion prevailed, and the printing was ordered.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The unfinished business of yesterday was taken up, being Bill, No. 278, to amend the Internal Improvement Acts of 1852-4.

Mr. Cook offered an amendment in lieu of the first section of the bill.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To strike out the first section, except the enacting clause.—

Pending the discussion on which, the following Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk :

MR. SPEAKER :—

The Senate has amended House Bill, No. 56, entitled
A bill to repeal the Tippling Laws,
By providing that it shall take effect from and after its passage,
And passed it upon third and last reading ;
And the same is herewith transmitted for the concurrence of the
House of Representatives.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman moved

To amend the motion of Mr. Cavitt, by indefinitely postponing
the first section, except the enacting clause, together with the
amendment of Mr. Cook.

The amendment was accepted by Mr. Cavitt.

Upon which motion, Mr. Shemwell demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carlock,
Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington,
Gallaway, Gilbert, Kimble, Little, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon,
Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas,
Tompkins, Travis, Ward, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of
Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—35.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Bullen,
Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Colquet, Cook, Cox, Davie, De-
Witt, Dortch, Easterly, Fort, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney,
Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Northcutt, Pope, Rudd, Snod-
grass, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Wallace, Welcker, White, and
Wilson of Carroll—36.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36

The motion failed.

Mr. Meek offered an amendment providing that those roads al-
ready built should not be entitled to the benefits of the bill ; but
that its benefits should only extend to those roads hereafter to be
built.

Mr. Looney moved

To make the bill the Special Order for the 25th instant.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To make it the Special Order for the 10th of March.

Mr. Cavitt withdrew his motion.

Mr. Looney's motion failed.

Pending discussion on section first, and the various amendments,

Mr. Galbreath moved

To adjourn till 10 o'clock to-night.

The motion failed.

On motion of Mr. Harris,

The House adjourned till 7 o'clock, to-night.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The unfinished business of the evening was resumed, being the first section of Bill, No. 278, to amend the Internal Improvement Acts of 1852-4, and the various amendments thereto.

Mr. Cavitt moved a call of the House.

Present—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cobb, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Rudd, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—54.

Mr. Mathis called for the previous question on the first section.

The House sustained the call.

Upon the passage of section first, Mr. Cavitt demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Bullen, Colquet, Cook, Davie, Easterly, Fort, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Meek, Taylor, Tipton, and Wallace—17.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Cox, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gilbert, Kimble, Little, Mabry, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Rudd, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—45.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	45

The first section was rejected.

Section second was then put upon its passage.

Mr. Newman moved

To amend, by inserting the words "President and" before the word "Treasurer."

The motion prevailed.

The second section then passed.

The third section was then put upon its passage.

Mr. Parks moved

To amend, by providing that the bonds should be negotiated through the Bank of Tennessee and her agents; and that said bonds shall, in no event, be sold at less than their par value.

Mr. Meek moved

To amend the amendment, by declaring, the notes of all specie

paying banks in this State shall be taken in payment for the bonds at dollar for dollar.

Mr. Looney moved

To lay the section and amendment on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Bullen moved

A reconsideration of the vote laying the third section on the table.

The House reconsidered the vote.

Mr. Newman moved

To strike out the third section.

Mr. Parks withdrew his amendment.

The motion to strike out prevailed.

The 4th section was then put upon its passage.

Mr. Harris moved

To strike it out.

The motion prevailed.

The fifth section was then put upon its passage.

The fifth section passed.

Mr. Harris moved

To amend, by providing that the East Tennessee and Virginia Railroad Company may lay down iron at either end of said road, and draw the bonds of the State according to the Internal Improvement Acts of 1851-2, and 1853-4.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill then passed second reading.

Bill, No. 282, to prescribe the duty of the County Court of Davidson county, in disposing of the sinking fund of said county created to pay railroad stock,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 283, to incorporate the Synod of Nashville,

Was taken up.

Mr. Dunnington offered an amendment, incorporating the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Presbytery of Tennessee.

Mr. Bartlett offered an amendment, amendatory of an act passed March 3, 1854.

Mr. Cox offered an amendment, incorporating Mount Olivet Cemetery.

The amendments were successively adopted.

The title of the bill was then amended to fit the various amendments.

The bill then passed second reading.

Bill, No. 284, to charter the Knoxville Bridge Company,

Was taken up, and passed second reading.

Bill, No. 285, to allow railroad companies to increase their capital stock, &c.,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 286, for the benefit of the Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company,

Was taken up.

The amendments recommended by the Committee on Internal Improvements were adopted.

Mr. Dortch offered an amendment, as to the title of the bill ;

Which was adopted.

Bill passed second reading.

Bill, No. 287, to extend the corporate limits of the town of Bolivar,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 288, to exempt certain property from execution, and for other purposes,

Was taken up.

Mr. Bullen moved

To strike out all articles exempted, except the cooking stove and cooking utensils.

Mr. Kinney moved

To add to articles exempted in the bill, the cream jug, canister, and china metal.

Mr. Ball moved

To amend, by exempting from execution, in the hands of the head of a family, one plantation, all the negroes, wagons, horses, and other stock owned at the time of the rendition of the judgment, and especially one baby cradle.

Mr. Kinney's amendment was adopted.

Mr. Ball's amendment was laid on the table.

Mr. Temple offered an amendment, making it a misdemeanor in any officer who may levy on any article exempted by the provisions of the bill.

Mr. Cavitt offered on amendment, providing, that when a debtor shall not have the articles enumerated, then the State shall furnish them.

Mr. Carlock moved

To amend, by adding a bread tray to the exempted articles ;

Which amendment was adopted.

Mr. Hatton called the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill then passed second reading.

Bill, No. 288½, to charter the Strawberry Plains and Sevier Turnpike Company,

Was taken up.

The amendments recommended by the Committee were adopted.

Mr. Tipton offered an amendment, incorporating the Watauga Bridge Company, and for other purposes.

The amendment was adopted.

The title was amended to fit the amendment.

The bill then passed second reading.

Bill, No. 290, to incorporate the Bluff City Loan and Building Association Company of Memphis,

Was taken up.

Mr. Dortch offered an amendment, incorporating the Somer-

ville Building and Loan Association, and the Chickasaw Building and Loan Association.

Mr. Cook offered an amendment, incorporating the Franklin Building and Loan Association.

Mr. Davie offered an amendment, incorporating the Clarksville Building and Loan Association.

The amendments were successively adopted.

The title of the bill was amended to fit the amendments.

The bill then passed second reading.

Mr. Tompkins moved

To take up Senate Bill, No. 152, to incorporate the Murfreesboro' Gas Light Company, &c.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Armstrong offered an amendment, declaring the officers and students of the East Tennessee University, at Knoxville, a military corps.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill then passed third reading, and was ordered to be transmitted to the Senate without delay.

Mr. Thomas moved

To take up Senate Bill, No. 135, to secure the collection of debts contracted by County Commissioners.

The motion prevailed.

The bill passed first reading.

Mr. Pogue moved

That the House adjourn till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

The motion failed.

Mr. Looney moved

To take up Bill, No. 322, to amend an act entitled

An act to incorporate the Porter Fire Arm Company, passed February 20, 1854.

The motion prevailed.

The bill passed third reading.

Mr. Harris obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 282.

Mr. Nixon moved

To adjourn till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

Mr. Snodgrass demanded the ayes and noes,

Which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Easterly, Fort, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Rudd, Thomas, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—31.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Brazelton, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Dortch, Harris, Little, Mathis, Meek, Newman, Parks, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Travis Wallace, Ward, and Wilson of Carroll—24.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24

The motion prevailed, and
The House adjourned.

SATURDAY MORNING, JANUARY 19, 1855.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Ball presented a petition from H. Hamilton, Sheriff of Hawkins county, praying for an appropriation of one hundred dollars, to pay a reward offered by him for the apprehension of a fugitive from justice, who had been arrested and delivered to the authorities of said county, and convicted and confined in the Penitentiary of the State.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Richey presented a petition from sundry citizens of Bradley county, in relation to the modification of the Merchants' Tax.

The petition was received.

Mr. Davie presented the report of the Commissioners appointed to investigate the condition of the Bank of Tennessee, at Clarksville.

The report was received and laid on the table for the present.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, from the Committee on Internal Improvements, reported as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom sundry bills were referred, have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to make the following report and recommendations thereon, to-wit :

House Bill, No. 420, A bill to appoint and define the duties of a Road Commissioner for the State of Tennessee.

The committee recommend that this bill be rejected.

House Bill, No. 438, A bill to improve the navigation of Little Tennessee River.

The committee recommend that this bill be rejected.

House Bill, No. 443, A bill to preserve the purity of elections in the various internal improvement companies of this State.

The committee recommend that this bill be rejected.

Senate Bill, No. 69, A bill to charter the Alexandria and Rome Turnpike Company.

The Committee recommend the passage of this bill.

House Bill, No. 397, A bill entitled

An act to amend an act to charter the Sevier Turnpike Road, and to grant State aid thereto.

A majority of the committee recommend the passage of this bill.

House Bill, No. 401, An act to amend an act entitled

An act to charter the Carthage, Alexandria, and Red Sulphur Spring Turnpike Company, and for other purposes.

The committee recommend that this bill be passed.

House Bill, No. 402, An act to charter the Clinton College and Mulherrin Turnpike Company.

The committee recommend that this bill be amended, by adding the following amendment to said bill:

Provided, That no State aid shall be granted to said road or company; and thus amended, that the bill be passed.

House Bill, No. 471, A bill for the benefit of the McMinnville and Manchester Railroad Company.

A majority of the committee recommend that this bill be passed.

House Bill, No. 477, A bill to authorize James McNeilly and Hugh Blair to erect a dam across Little Pigeon River.

The committee recommend the passage of this bill.

House Bill, No. 410, for the benefit of the Wartrace and Beech Grove Turnpike Company.

The committee recommend that this bill be passed.

House Bill, No. 484, A bill for the benefit of the Tennessee and Alabama Railroad, and the Central, Southern Railroad.

A majority of the committee recommend the passage of this bill.

House Bill, No. 398, a bill to authorize certain counties to take stock in railroads, and to issue bonds for the same.

The committee recommend the passage of this bill.

House Bill, No. 431, A bill to amend an act entitled

An act to incorporate the Montgomery Turnpike Company, passed January 25, 1848.

The committee recommend that this bill be passed.

House Bill, No. 469, A bill to be entitled

An act for the benefit of the Mississippi Central, and Tennessee Railroad Company.

The committee recommend the passage of this bill, with the accompanying amendment.

All which is respectfully submitted.

HERVY BROWN,
Chairman.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported Resolution, No. 139, as correctly engrossed.

Mr. Burch, from Select Committee to take into consideration Resolution, No. 128, in relation to the naval depot at Brunswick, reported,

That the Committee was unable to agree as to the merits of said resolution, and asked to be discharged from its further consideration.

The committee was discharged, as requested.

Mr. Burch asked and obtained leave to withdraw the resolution.

Mr. Galbreath asked and obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 308, for amendment.

Mr. Bullen moved

To recommit Bill, No. 443, to preserve the purity of elections in the various internal improvement companies of this State, to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Richey introduced Bill, No. 497,

For the benefit of merchants ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Kimble introduced Bill, No. 498,

For the benefit of E. Lee, a citizen of Decatur county ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Cook introduced Bill, No. 499,

To better secure the administration of the law, and to protect the revenue of the State ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Carlock introduced Bill, No. 500,

To do justice to accommodation endorsers ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Mathis introduced Bill, No. 501,

To establish a system of keeping up the public roads in this State ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Public Roads and Highways.

Mr. Galbreath returned Bill, No. 247, withdrawn by him for amendment.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, moved

To make Bill, No. 178, to establish a State Normal School, the special order for Friday, January 25, 1856 ;

Which motion prevailed.

Bill, No. 289, to furnish certain officers of Sullivan county with the Acts of 1853-4, and copies of Nicholson and Caruthers', and Nicholson's Supplement,

Was taken up.

Mr. Armstrong moved

To amend, by supplying the deficiencies of said Acts in Sevier county.

Mr. Galbreath moved

To supply the deficiencies of said Acts existing in the counties of Jackson and Putnam.

Senate Resolution, No. 45, directory to the Secretary of State, having relation to the same subject-matter,

Took precedence.

The bill recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means, in lieu of the House bill and Senate resolution, was adopted by the House.

The bill in lieu then passed second reading.

Bill, No. 54, to charter the Bank of America,

Passed second reading, and was re-committed to the Committee Banks on.

Bill, No. 277, to incorporate the Jackson Building and Loan Association,

Was taken up.

Mr. Algee moved

To strike out "Jackson," wherever it occurs in said bill, and insert in lieu "Madison."

The motion prevailed.

The bill then passed second reading.

Bill, No. 291, to authorize James Parks and Company to build a bridge across Ocoee River, at or near Parksville, in the county of Polk,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 293, to regulate merchants' taxes,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 294, to charter the Jonesboro Bank,

Passed second reading.

Mr. Tipton obtained leave to withdraw Bill, 292,

To incorporate the Watauga Bridge Company, and for other purposes,

Mr. Myatt obtained leave to withdraw, for amendment, Bill, No. 168,

To amend an act entitled An act to establish a system of Common Schools in this State, passed February 28, 1854.

Mr. Whiteside obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 342,

To amend an act entitled An act incorporating the Western Central Turnpike Company, and for other purposes, for amendment.

Bill, No. 297, to repeal an act passed the 21st day of February, 1852, entitled An act to change the line dividing the counties of Perry and Wayne,

Was taken up.

Mr. Shemwell offered an amendment, providing that, before the county of Wayne shall receive any of the citizens of Perry county under the provisions of the act of February 21, 1852, the county of Wayne shall, at her own expense, have the county of Perry surveyed, and show that, by taking off said citizens and territory,

the county of Perry would not be reduced below her constitutional limits.

The amendment offered by Mr. Shemwell was adopted in lieu of the bill.

Mr. Pogue moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

Mr. Pogue demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Parks, Pogue, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, and Wilson of Carroll—27.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Dunnington, Easterly Galbreath, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—33.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33

The motion failed.

The bill then passed second reading.

Mr. Ball obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 377, for the relief of Sneed Harris, for amendment.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Cowden.

Mr. Holmes moved

To suspend the regular order of business, in order to take up Bill, No. 278, to amend the internal improvement acts of 1852-4.

The motion prevailed, and the bill was taken up:

Mr. Holmes moved

To amend as follows :

Be it further enacted, That so much of the general internal improvement acts of 1851-2 and 1853-4, as requires the several railroad companies embraced within the provisions of the aforesaid acts to have the bridges on the several sections of their respective roads completed, before the bonds of the State shall issue to the companies of said roads, be so amended as to except those bridges which have been provided with State aid.

Be it further enacted, That this act shall take effect from and after its passage.

The amendment was adopted.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes and noes were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Myatt, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell,

Smith, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Travis, Wallace, Watkins, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—57.

Noes—Messrs. Bullen, Mathis, Newman, and Stovall—4.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	57
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4

The bill passed third reading, and was ordered to be transmitted to the Senate without delay.

Mr. Galbreath returned Bill, No. 308, to amend an act entitled An act to amend the Revenue Laws of this State.

Bill, No. 298, to suppress the circulation of Bank Notes of a less denomination than five dollars, payable without the State, Was passed over informally.

Bill, No. 299, to change the line between DeKalb and Cannon counties,

Was taken up and rejected.

Mr. Harris obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 30.

The Speaker appointed the following gentlemen under the resolution to investigate the official conduct of the late Secretary of State, viz: Messrs. Bobo, Wood, of Hardeman, and White.

On motion,

The House adjourned till Monday morning, 9 o'clock.

MONDAY MORNING, JANUARY 21, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. White was granted leave of absence on account of sickness.

Mr. Brien, from the Judiciary Committee, reported as follows:

MR. SPEAKER:

The Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bills and resolutions, to-wit:

Bill, No. 128, to punish persons for unlawfully interfering with railroad trains.

Bill, No. 211, to authorize Justices of the Peace to issue counterparts of warrants, in certain cases.

Bill, No. 270, to amend the civil practice in certain cases, in reference to litigation about real estate.

Bill, No. 314, to regulate the rate of interest on specific contracts.

Bill, No. 325, for the benefit of turnpike roads.

Bill, No. 357, to amend the act of 1839, chapter 26, section 3, so as to allow certain commissioners to take depositions, and for other purposes.

Bill, No. 361, to amend the act of 1811, chapter 76, so as to allow certain copies of grants to be recorded, and for other purposes.

Bill, No. 375, to amend the act of 1831, chapter 86, so as to allow Sheriffs to charge mileage on railroads with convicts, and to dispense with guard.

Bill, No. 393, to change the time of holding the Circuit Courts in Meigs and Polk counties;

Bill, No. 407, for the benefit of Lizzy, Bob, and other free persons of color.

Bill, No. 435, to amend the act of 1807, chapter 8, section 3, in relation to killing stock.

Bill, No. 453, to amend the law so as to prohibit the County Courts from decreeing the division of estates.

Bill, No. 465, to amend the act of 1852, chapter 300, in relation to bequests of freedom to slaves in certain cases.

Bill, No. 474, making certain Breaches of Trust and Embezzlements felonies.

Bill, No. 478, to provide for the holding of the Circuit and Chancery Courts of Gibson and Marshall counties.

Bill, No. 483, to confer upon certain courts jurisdiction in relation to salvage.

All of which, the Committee, without amendment, recommend the passage of the same.

Bill, No. 351, to amend the laws in relation to Notaries Public.

Bill, No. 360, to amend the law in relation to Executors and Administrators.

Bill, No. 364, defining the duties of the County Courts in levying taxes in certain cases, for certain commissioners.

The Committee recommend that each be amended as indicated on the back of the bill, and with said amendments, pass.

Bill, No. 113, to suppress drunkenness.

Bill, No. 268, to increase the fees of Attorneys General in felonies.

The Committee recommend a bill in lieu, in each case, and recommend the passage of the same.

Resolution, No. 93, requesting the Judiciary Committee to examine into, and report to this House, the propriety of changing the present County Court system.

The Committee have no hesitancy in stating that in their judgment, the present system is very defective, and might well be amended for the interest of the country, but at this late period of the session, and owing to the fact that they are informed that a bill is before the Senate upon this subject, and

the fact, that a great deal of important unfinished business is yet before this Legislature, the Committee beg to be discharged from the further consideration of said Resolution.

And on Bill, No. 81, for the relief of John Blair and others,

The State is not now, nor never was, in law or equity, bound for the money specified in the bill.

Bill, No. 111, to allow the Mayor and Aldermen, in each town, to elect a Recorder, and that he have the same powers of a Justice of the Peace.

This is creating a new officer and power not known to the Constitution.

Bill, No. 130, to repeal and amend the law in relation to tax sales.

This amendment, we deem uncalled for, and we are not authorized in making the change.

Bill, No. 145, to change the practice in pleading in actions of slander.

We are opposed to the change. It alters a well understood rule of practice and pleadings, without any advantage to any, and likely to create confusion.

Bill, No. 160, to regulate the emancipation of slaves.

Bill, No. 189, on same subject; the act of 1854, chapter 50, and the other acts on the same subject, are very stringent, and those bills seek to violate vested rights, as we think, without consent, which we cannot do.

Bill, No. 169. This bill declares the change of certain water courses in certain cases a felony.

The Committee is opposed to the principles of this bill, as the law upon this subject, as it now stands, we regard as ample.

Bill, No. 253, to make owners of slaves liable in all cases for their acts.

The law upon this subject is stringent enough.

Bill, No. 306, to allow Rome to elect an addition Justice of the Peace.

This cannot constitutionally be done as set out in this bill. The citizens of Rome must do as Rome does.

Bill, No. 371. This is a bill for J. S. Milligan.

We see no power that we have to pass this bill for his relief.

Bill, No. 372, for the benefit of creditors.

We cannot see what good such a law would do. It does not propose to enforce any remedy more than the creditors now have, by bill or garnashee. Such fines could not be made or enforced as contemplated by this bill.

Bill, No. 379, to change the time of listing taxable property.

We see no necessity for this change. The law is now well understood and works no hardships. Let it stand.

Bill, No. 399. This bill proposes to establish a new court out of the fractional parts of several counties.

This, we think, cannot be done. It will infringe upon the rights

of others; and, in our opinion, it is inexpedient and unconstitutional to make such a court.

Bill, No. 414, to amend the law and define the mode in collecting debts off of deceased persons' estates.

We do not consider the change of any importance.

Bill, No. 417, to change the criminal law when the defendant is on trial.

In one aspect, this would be an important change, but, upon the whole, we prefer the law as it is.

Bill, No. 421, to define the time when the acts of the General Assembly shall take effect.

We see no necessity for this change.

Bill, No. 425, to regulate the payment of costs in certain cases.

No necessity for this change.

Bill, No. 451, to prevent children from being separated from their mothers.

This law would, in our opinion, work injuries in many cases.

Bill, No. 457, for the benefit of Paulina Taylor.

We are of the opinion, under the constitution and laws vesting certain rights, and regulating descents, we have no power to grant the prayer of the petition or pass this bill.

Bill, No. 459, for the benefit of collecting officers.

We do not feel willing that the law should be changed in this particular.

All of which we recommend be rejected.

On Petition, No. —, for the benefit of Berry F. Merrill and others, to allow them to sell a certain slave.

The committee do not think it expedient to adjudicate upon the facts and pass such special laws; therefore we recommend the parties to the Chancery Court, where, if they have merits, the same will be heard and decided accordingly. We therefore pray to be discharged from the further consideration of said memorial.

To all of which I am directed to report, and respectfully ask the concurrence of the House.

M. M. BRIEN, Chairman.

The committee were discharged from the further consideration of matters contained in the report, as requested.

Mr. Bullen, from the Committee on Public Roads and Highways reported as follows :

On petition of sundry citizens of Williamson county, relative to taxing persons going to church on the various turnpike roads in this State, and requested to be discharged from its further consideration.

On petition of citizens of Davidson county, in relation to the Charlotte and Nashville Turnpike Road, and requested to be discharged from its further consideration.

On Bill, No. 109, to define the duties of Overseers of Public County Roads and Road Tax,

With the recommendation of a majority of the committee that the bill be rejected.

On Bill, No. 454, to amend the charter the Clarksville and Russellville Turnpike Road,

And recommended its rejection.

On Bill, No. 458, to improve the west end of the Charlotte Turnpike Road, and for other purposes,

And recommended its rejection.

On Bill, No. 482, to charter the Huntingdon and Rockport Turnpike Road,

And recommended its passage.

On Bill, No. 501, to establish a system of keeping up the Public Roads in this State,

With the recommendation of a majority of said committee that, with an additional section as an amendment, the said bill pass.

The committee were discharged from the further consideration of matters contained in the report, as requested.

Mr. Cavitt, from the Committee on Incorporations, reported as follows :

On petition of citizens of the town of Bristol, praying to have said town incorporated,

And recommended that the prayer of petitioners be granted.

On petition for chartering Independent O. Junior Temple of Honor,

And requested to be discharged from its further consideration.

On Bill, No. 307, to incorporate the Gayoso Savings Institution,

With the recommendation of a majority of said committee that in the third section of the bill the words "and shall go to the Common School Fund," be stricken out, and that the bill pass.

On Bill, No. 385, to incorporate the town of Bristol, in Sullivan county,

With the recommendation of said committee that the said bill be amended by striking out in the fourth section the words, "first day of May," and inserting the words, "first Monday in May," also, by striking out the entire sixth section, and by striking out the words, "the last Monday in December," in the tenth section, and inserting the words, "the first Monday in May;" and thus amended, that the bill pass.

On Bill, No. 446, to incorporate the Dickeson Marble, and Zinc Mining and Manufacturing Company of Tennessee, in Knox county,

With the recommendation of the committee that the bill be amended by inserting the word "such" before the word "real," in the first section, and by striking out the words, "of what kind soever," in same section, and inserting in lieu, the words, "as may be necessary for the legitimate transaction of their business," and by striking out the entire second section, and inserting in lieu the following :

Be it enacted, That the business of said company shall be conducted at such place in Knox county, as may be agreed on and de-

signed by a majority of the stockholders, and with these amendments, that the bill pass.

On Bill, No. 467, to incorporate a company to be called the Sumner Manufacturing Company, and recommended its passage.

The committee was discharged from the further consideration of matters contained in the report, as requested.

Mr. Mabry moved

To take up Senate Resolution, No. 51, for the benefit of James D. Thompson, J. W. Carter, A. M. Savage, and W. Britton.

The motion prevailed, and the resolution was taken up.

Mr. Tipton moved

To amend, by providing that fees allowed the attorneys should not exceed the value of the land recovered.

Mr. Newman called the previous question.

The call was sustained.

Upon the adoption of the resolution,

The ayes and noes were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo; Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Temple, Tompkins, Ward, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—40.

Noes—Messrs. Brien, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Donelson, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Little, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Snodgrass, Tipton, Travis, Wallace, Welcker, and Wilson of Carroll—23.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Ball returned Bill, No. 377, for the benefit of Sneed Harris, with an amendment, and moved that it be recommitted to the Committee on Claims.

The motion prevailed, and the reference was ordered.

Mr. Nixon moved

To take up Bill, No. 116, to amend the practice in trial of criminal cases, and for other purposes.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Nixon moved

To amend, by changing the time of holding courts in the fifth and the sixth Chancery Divisions.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, offered an amendment, providing that no receiver shall be appointed in cases in chancery, until the party applying for the appointment of such receiver shall have notified the opposite party, his agent, or attorney.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—59.

Noes—Messrs. Cavitt, Gallaway, Snodgrass, and Stovall—4.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	59
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4

On motion of Mr. Nixon,

The bill, together with Senate Resolution, No. 51, was ordered to be transmitted to the Senate without delay.

Mr. Davie introduced Bill, No. 502, to require the Attorney General of the State to prepare, and cause to be printed, a tabular statement of all legal costs incident to judicial proceedings;

Which passed first reading; and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Harris returned Bill, No. 282, to prescribe the duty of the County Court of Davidson, in disposing of the sinking fund of said county, created to pay railroad stock.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, moved

To take up Bill, No. 225, to amend an act to authorize and regulate county subscriptions to railroad stock.

The motion prevailed, and the bill was taken up.

The bill passed third reading, and was ordered to be transmitted to the Senate without delay.

Mr. Wallace moved

To take up Bill, No. 353, for the benefit of Union county.

The motion prevailed, and the bill was taken up.

The bill then passed third reading, and was ordered to be transmitted to the Senate without delay.

Mr. Watkins moved

To take up Bill, No. 305, to amend an act entitled

An act to charter the South-Western Railroad Company, and for other purposes, passed January 31, 1852.

The motion prevailed, and the bill was taken up.

Mr. Looney offered an amendment amendatory of Senate amendments to the bill, providing that the Tennessee and Alabama Railroad Company shall not be required to complete their road to the town of Columbia, unless the citizens of Maury county shall furnish the means necessary to build said road from its present terminus, near Spring Hill, to the town of Columbia, except the bridge across Duck River.

Mr. Armstrong offered an amendment, for the benefit of the Sevier Turnpike Company.

Mr. Cavitt offered an amendment, for the benefit of the Nashville and North-Western Railroad.

Mr. Meek offered an amendment, incorporating the Strawberry Plains, Dandridge, and Newport Branch Road Company, and extending State aid to the same.

Mr. Brazelton offered an amendment, in lieu of section 3 of the bill, for the benefit of the Tennessee and Alabama Railroad, and the Central, Southern Railroad.

Mr. Stovall offered an amendment, for the benefit of the Mobile and Ohio Railroad.

Mr. Cox offered an amendment for the benefit of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To refer the bill, and Senate and House amendments thereto, to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

The motion prevailed, and the reference was ordered.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :—

The Senate has adopted House Resolution, as follows :

No. 18, a preamble and resolution to the Congress of the United States of America, in regard to the duty on railroad iron;

And the same is herewith transmitted for enrollment,

The Senate has indefinitely postponed House Resolution, No. 112, for the benefit of the Tennessee Volunteers in 1838 ;

And the same is herewith returned.

The Senate has passed on its third reading, House Bill, No. 201, entitled

A bill to be entitled An act to amend an act entitled An act to secure the completion of Turnpike Roads in Smith, Wilson and Sumner counties by State aid;

With an amendment authorizing Wm. T. Scott to build a turnpike road.

The Senate has also passed on third reading, House Bill, No. 335, entitled

A bill to change the time of holding the Chancery Court at Elizabethton,

With an amendment attaching Lauderdale county to the 11th Judicial circuit;

And the same are herewith transmitted for the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has passed on third reading House Bill, No. 236, to amend an act entitled An act to establish a Criminal Court in the county of Davidson, passed January 27th, 1842 ;

And Bill, No. 279, authorizing the election of a Magistrate in the town of Dandridge;

And the same are herewith transmitted for enrollment.

The Senate has concurred in House amendment to Senate Bill, No. 89, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled An act to incorporate Hiwassee College, passed January 23, 1850;

Striking out the last section, incorporating the Christian Church in the city of Nashville.

The Senate has passed on third reading Senate bills, as follows :

No. 126, to amend an act to authorize the extension of the Memphis and Charleston Railroad, and for other purposes, passed February 23, 1854.

No. 173, to extend the corporate limits of Vernon, in Hickman county, and for other purposes;

And the Senate has adopted Senate Resolution, No. 62,

A preamble and resolution to the Congress of the United States in reference to the improvement of the navigation of the Tennessee River;

And the same is herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives.

I herewith transmit the resignation of the Comptroller of the Treasury, addressed to both Houses of the General Assembly, and which has been accepted by the Senate.

The Senate has adopted the following resolution, No. 63:

Resolved, That the Senate meet the House of Representatives in the Hall of the latter, on Monday, January 21, at 3 o'clock, P. M., for the purpose of electing a Comptroller of the Treasury, to fill the unexpired term of A. R. Crozier, resigned.

On motion of Mr. Newman,

Senate Message, in regard to the resignation of the Comptroller, Was taken up.

The following communication received from the Comptroller of the Treasury, was read:

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, }
Nashville, January 21, 1856. }

To the Senate and House of Representatives :

I hereby tender my resignation as Comptroller, to take effect on Thursday, the 24th, inst.

Very Respectfully,
ARTHUR R. CROZIER,
Comptroller.

On motion of Mr. Newman,

Senate Message with regard to the resignation of the Comptroller, was taken up.

The resignation was accepted.

The Resolution of the Senate, No. 63, calling for a Convention of the two Houses of the General Assembly, at 3 o'clock this after-

noon, for the purpose of electing a Comptroller to fill the unexpired term of A. R. Crozier resigned,

Was adopted by the House of Representatives.

Mr. Tipton moved

To take up the Calender of bills on second reading.

The motion prevailed.

Bill, No. 11, to regulate a system of roads,

Was taken up.

The bill recommended by the Committee on Public Roads and Highways in lieu of it, and Bills, Nos. 106 and 119,

Was adopted by the House.

Mr. Carmichael offered an amendment providing that all property shall be subject to execution to pay the fines and penalties arising under the operation of the law.

The amendment was adopted.

And the bill passed its second reading.

Mr. Brien, from the Judiciary Committee, reported on the Petition of sundry citizens of Madison county, praying for the enactment of a law authorizing the Clerk of the County Court of said county, to appoint a deputy in the village of Denmark, that in the opinion of the Committee, that it would be unjust, inexpedient and unconstitutional to grant the prayer of the petitioners, and therefore requested to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition.

The committee was discharged as requested.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported Bill, No. 225, to authorize and regulate county subscriptions for railroad stock, &c.,

And Bill, No. 278, to amend the Internal Improvement acts of 1852-4, as correctly engrossed; as also Bills, Nos. 116, 322, and 351.

Bill, No. 28, to amend the School Laws of Tennessee,

Was, by leave of the House, withdrawn by Mr. Massengill.

Bill, No. 47, to abolish Chancery Courts,

Was taken up.

The bill recommended in lieu by the Select Committee on Law Reform,

Was, by leave of the House, withdrawn by Mr. Travis.

Mr. Travis obtained leave to offer Bill, No. 245, to reform the practice in Circuit Courts, in lieu of Bill, No. 47.

The bill was adopted in lieu.

Mr. Cox moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

Mr. Mathis demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Holmes, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Nixon, Pogue, Rudd, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—34.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Cavitt, Campbell, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Tipton, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, and Wood of Cannon—33.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	34
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	33

The motion prevailed, and the bill was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Davie,

The House took a recess of five minutes, preparatory to meeting the Senate in Convention, to go into an election of Comptroller, to fill the unexpired term of A. R. Crozier, resigned.

After the expiration of the recess, the House was called to order, and the members of the Senate received within the Hall of the House of Representatives.

In Convention.

Mr. Nixon nominated B. F. Cheatham, of the county of Davidson.

Mr. Looney nominated James C. Luttrell, of the county of Knox.

Mr. Rodgers withdrew the name of James C. Luttrell.

The Convention then proceeded to ballot with the following result :

For Mr. Cheatham—

Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—34.

Senators,	-	-	-	-	-	8
Representatives,	-	-	-	-	-	34

Total,	-	-	-	-	-	42
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For Mr. Luttrell—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt Dortch

Gallaway, Gleaves, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Rudd, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—32.

Senators,	-	-	-	-	-	-	13
Representatives,	-	-	-	-	-	-	32
Total,	-	-	-	-	-	-	45

It appearing that James C. Luttrell, of the county of Knox, had received a majority of all the votes cast, he was declared, by the President of the Convention, duly and constitutionally elected Comptroller of the Treasury of the State of Tennessee, from Thursday, the 24th inst., until the expiration of the term for which the present incumbent was elected.

The business for which the Convention convened having been discharged, the Senators retired to their chamber.

Bill, No. 99, granting merchants privileges to sell goods in certain cases without license,

Was taken up.

Mr. Cloud demanded the ayes and noes on the passage of the bill, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Campbell, Cloud, Colquet, Dunnington, Gallaway, Kinney, Looney, Newman, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, and Wood of Cannon—18.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Easterly, Fort, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Rudd, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wilson of Carroll, Mr. Speaker Brown—44.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	44

The bill was rejected.

Bill, No. 138, to alter the county lines of Maury and Marshall,

Was taken up.

Mr. Meek offered an amendment changing the line between Jefferson and Grainger counties.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Looney offered an amendment changing the dividing line between the counties of Marshall and Maury, in certain other particulars.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Gleaves offered an amendment changing the dividing line between the counties of Davidson and Wilson.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Newman offered an amendment changing the dividing line between the counties of Franklin and Lincoln.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Tompkins offered an amendment changing the dividing line between the counties of Rutherford and Davidson.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, offered an amendment changing still further the dividing lines between the counties of Maury and Marshall.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Cox offered an amendment providing that nothing in the act contained should be construed to release lands thereby taken from the county of Davidson, from taxes levied to pay the railroad subscriptions of said county.

On motion of Mr. Gleaves,

The amendment of Mr. Cox was laid on the table.

The bill then passed second reading.

Bill, No. 157, for the benefit of owners of land sold for its taxes, and common schools,

Was rejected.

Mr. Thomas withdrew Bill, No. 170, to enable Constables to settle up their business.

Bill, No. 173, to amend the act passed 2d March, 1854, entitled An act to amend the charter of the Tennessee Marine and Fire Insurance Company, passed 25th November, 1833, and for other purposes,

Was rejected.

Bill, No. 109, to define the duties of overseers of public roads, and road tax,

Was taken up.

Mr. Shemwell offered a bill in lieu ;

Which was adopted and passed second reading.

Bill, No. 198, for the benefit of Scott county,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 199, to provide for the payment of certain State bonds,

Was taken up.

Senate Bill, No. 98, to provide for the payment of certain State bonds,

Was adopted in lieu, as recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means.

The bill in lieu then passed second reading.

Bill, No. 232, to charter the White Plains and Montgomery Turnpike Company,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 242, to provide for lunatics, to amend the divorce laws, and for other purposes,

Was taken up.

Pending discussion on which, the House, on motion, adjourned till 7 o'clock, to-night.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The House resumed the unfinished business of the evening, being

Bill, No. 242, to provide for lunatics, to amend the divorce laws, and for other purposes.

Mr. Nixon moved

To refer the bill to the Committee on the Lunatic Asylum.

The motion prevailed, and the bill was referred.

Bill, No. 301, to secure public records,

Was taken up.

Mr. Newman moved

To strike out "first day of January, 1856," and insert "its passage."

The motion prevailed.

The bill then passed second reading.

Bill, No. 305, to elect the Comptroller of the Treasury by the people,

Was taken up.

Mr. Temple moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

Upon which motion Mr. Newman demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Campbell, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—32.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Whiteside, and Wood of Cannon—24.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	32
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	24

The motion prevailed.

Bill, No. 308, to amend an act entitled An act to amend the Revenue Laws of this State,

Was taken up.

Mr. Galbreath offered a bill in lieu.

The bill in lieu was adopted.

The bill in lieu passed second reading.

Bill, No. 309, to amend the Revenue Laws,

Was taken up.

The bill recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means, in lieu of the bill, was taken up and read.

Mr. Dortch moved its adoption.

Mr. Speaker Brown, (Mr. Holmes in the Chair,) offered to amend as follows :

Be it enacted, That all laws now in force taxing privileges, as such, be, and the same are hereby, repealed; and that all taxes shall be levied upon property and polls, and upon the amount of capital and of means invested, from year to year, in the different pursuits of trade.

On motion of Mr. Burch,

The unfinished business was suspended, and

Bill, No. 393, to change the time of holding the Circuit Courts in the counties of Meigs and Polk, in the Third Judicial Circuit in the State of Tennessee,

Was taken up, and passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Armstrong,

Bill, No. 446, to incorporate the Marble and Zinc Mining and Manufacturing Company of Tennessee, in Knox county,

Was referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 22, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Nixon, from the Committee on Claims, reported

On Bill, No. 416, asking for three thousand dollars for Common Schools,

With the recommendation of said committee that the bill be rejected.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported

An act authorizing the election of a magistrate in the town of Dandridge;

And, an act to amend an act entitled An act to establish a Criminal Court in the county of Davidson, passed January 27, 1842,

As correctly enrolled.

Mr. DeWitt introduced Bill, No. 503,

To establish the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit, and for other purposes;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The motion entered on January 17, to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 121,

To prohibit the adulterating vinous and spirituous liquors in this State, &c.,

Was taken up.

The House reconsidered the vote rejecting the bill, and,

Mr. Colquet, by leave of the House, then withdrew the bill for amendment.

Mr. Ward, by leave of the House, withdrew Resolution, No. 94, to have praying done.

Mr. Wood of Hardeman, from the Committee on Education and Common Schools, reported that said committee had been unable to agree as to the merits of Bill, No. 179,

To establish a more efficient system of Common Schools;

And therefore requested that the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the bill.

The committee was discharged as requested.

The morning business being through, the House resumed the consideration of the unfinished business, being Bill, No. 309,

To amend the Revenue Laws, the bill in lieu, and the amendments thereto.

Mr. Brazelton moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill, the bill in lieu, and the amendment.

After some discussion, Mr. Brazelton withdrew his motion.

Mr. Looney moved

To re-commit the bill, bill in lieu, and various amendments, to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Looney,

Messrs. Donelson and Holmes were added to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Newman,

The various bills on the Calendar in relation to the Revenue Laws of the State, were referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Cobb moved

To take up Bill, No. 393, to change the time of holding the Circuit Courts in the counties of Meigs and Polk, in the Third Judicial Circuit, in the State of Tennessee.

The motion prevailed;

And the bill passed third reading, and was ordered to be transmitted to the Senate.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported Bill, No. 393, as correctly engrossed.

Bill, No. 310, to amend the charter of the South Carolina, Tennessee and Kentucky Railroad Company,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 311, to repeal an act to establish a System of Common Schools, in this State, passed February 28, 1854,

Was taken up.

Mr. Mabry moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

Upon which motion, Mr. Cavitt demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Brazelton, Brien, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cloud, Colburn, Colquet, Cook, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Welcker, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, Mr. Speaker Brown—46.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Bobo, Burch, Cavitt, Cobb, Davie, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Gilbert, Little, Looney, Newman, Parks, Pope, Thomas, Watkins, Wilson of Carroll, and Wilson of Marshall—21.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	46
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	21

The motion prevailed, and the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Bill, No. 312, to amend the small offence law,

Was taken up.

Mr. Tipton moved

To amend by providing that prosecutors should have the right of selecting the magistrate before whom the case should be tried.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

To lay the amendment of Mr. Tipton on the table.

The motion prevailed.

The bill was then rejected,

Mr. Newman entered a motion to reconsider the vote of rejection.

Bill, No. 316, to incorporate the Agents of the Publishing House of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in the City of Nashville,

Passed second reading, and was referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Bill, No. 318, for the benefit of sureties and endorsers,

Was taken up.

Mr. Tipton offered an amendment,

Providing that all securities to notes should be bound before the stayors to any judgment on the same.

Mr. Cook moved

The indefinite postponement of the amendment.

The motion prevailed.

The bill then passed second reading.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Temple, by leave of the House, introduced Bill, No. 504,
To regulate the traffic in ardent spirits, and for other purposes ;
Which passed first reading.

Mr. Stovall, by leave of the House, introduced Bill, No. 505,
For the relief of widows ;
Which passed first reading.

Mr. Welcker, by leave of the House, introduced Bill, No 506,
To regulate the duties of trustees and assignees ;
Which passed first reading.

Bill, No. 321, authorizing the Trustees of Overton county to
pay out certain school funds, originating from sale of land, &c.,
Was taken up.

The amendment recommended by the Committee on Education
and Common Schools, was adopted.

The bill then passed second reading.

Bill, No. 323, authorizing tax collectors to make titles to land by
them sold for taxes,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No 324, to establish a system of patrols,
Was taken up.

Mr. Newman offered an amendment, declaring all citizens pat-
rols, so far as their own premises are concerned.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Travis offered an amendment, providing that none save the
patrols appointed by the county court, shall be entitled to pay for
their services as such,

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Gleaves offered an amendment, providing that no property
should be taxed for patrol purposes, save slave property.

The amendment was rejected.

The bill then passed second reading, and was withdrawn by Mr.
Cavitt for amendment.

Mr. Davie moved

To re-commit Bill, No. 454, to the Committee on Public Roads
and Highways.

The motion prevailed, and the reference was ordered.

Mr. Speaker Brown presented a communication from J. B.
Lindsley, Dean, &c., inviting the members of the House of Repre-
sentatives to be present at 7 o'clock this evening, to hear the lec-
ture of Prof. Owen, at the Medical College.

On motion of Mr. Cook,

The invitation was accepted.

Bill, No. 325, for the benefit of turnpike roads,
Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 241, To regulate and amend the practice of Chancery
Courts,

Passed second reading, and was referred to Judiciary Committee.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled act, to authorize the President and Directors of the Bank of Tennessee to appoint an additional Director ;

And the same has been deposited with the Secretary of State.

The Senate has passed, on third reading, Senate Bills as follows, and the same are herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives :

No. 67, to amend the Criminal Laws of the State ;

“ 68, “ “ “ and for other purposes ;

“ 105, to economize the contingent expenses of the General Assembly of Tennessee ;

“ 113, to increase the power of Circuit and Criminal Court Clerks ;

“ 120, to incorporate the town of Cookville, in the county of Putnam ;

“ 123, to establish a Chancery Court at Taylorsville, in Johnson county ;

“ 128, to protect widows and orphans ;

“ 133½, to apportion one half the Academy fund of Overton county, to the Academy in the 11th civil district ;

“ 146, to amend the act passed 11th February, 1852, entitled An act to establish a system of Internal Improvements in this State ;

“ 149, to extend to the Chattanooga, Harrison, Georgetown and Charleston Railroad Company, further time in which to enable them to obtain State aid, and for other purposes.

“ 155, to change the name of Mossy Creek Baptist Missionary Seminary, in Jefferson county, to the name of Mossy Creek Baptist College ;

“ 162, to charter the Flat Creek Female Academy, in Bedford county, and for other purposes ;

“ 165, to legal the official acts of certain Justices of the Peace ;

“ 166, to incorporate the Manchester College, in Coffee county ;

“ 169, to authorize Justices of the Peace to take bonds and recognizances for the appearance of defendants in State prosecutions before themselves ;

“ 174, to change the time of holding the Circuit Court at Manchester, in Coffee county ;

“ 159, to amend the law concerning corporations ;

“ 179, to incorporate the Rockford Manufacturing Company.

Bill, No. 326, to extend the corporate limits of the town of Camden,

Was taken up.

Mr. Stovall offered an amendment, incorporating the town of Montpelier, in Weakley county.

Mr. Brien offered an amendment, providing that the 3d section of the act, 1840, ch. 68, be so amended as to apply to all incorporated towns.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To lay the amendment of Mr. Brien on the table.

The motion failed.

Mr. Stovall's amendment was adopted.

Mr. Brien's amendment was adopted.

Mr. Cox offered an amendment, authorizing the qualified voters of the fractions of the 2d and 9th civil districts of Davidson county, included in what is known as South Nashville, to elect two additional Justices of the Peace ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Cavitt offered an amendment, incorporating the town of Boydville, in Weakly county ;

Which was adopted.

The bill, as amended, then passed second reading.

Bill, No. 327, to secure the completion of the Flynn's Lick and Granville Turnpike Road, passed second reading.

Bill, No. 328, to amend the laws in reference to the liability of Sheriffs,

Was taken up.

Mr. Tipton offered an amendment, providing that when the Sheriff or Coroner cannot find property to satisfy the execution, then the plaintiff shall pay to the Sheriff or Coroner the sum of two dollars for his services in endeavoring to find the property.

Mr. Bobo moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Parks moved

To amend the title of the bill, so as to read,

A bill to assist hard-hearted creditors to oppress debtors.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

The motion prevailed.

The bill was then rejected.

Bill, No. 330, to aid in constructing a railroad from Chattanooga to the East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad, in the direction of Knoxville,

Was taken up.

Mr. Harris offered an amendment, providing for the endorsement by the State of the bonds of the East Tennessee and Virginia Railroad Company, to an amount not exceeding two hundred thousand dollars ;

Which was adopted.

Pending discussion on the bill,

Mr. Temple moved

That permission be given to Mr. Jones to exhibit, in one of the committee rooms, specimens of his works of Art.

The motion prevailed.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 23, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Ball presented a petition from sundry citizens of Hawkins county, praying for a change in law as regards the duties of guardians.

The petition was received and read, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Bullen, from the Committee on Public Roads and Highways, reported on House Bill, No. 454, to amend the charter of the Clarksville and Russellville Turnpike Road, and recommended its passage ;

And also requested to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of the President and Directors of said company, in regard to the amendment contained in the bill.

The committee were discharged, as requested.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, from the Committee on Education and Common Schools, reported as follows :

The Committee on Education and Common Schools have had before them Bills, to-wit :

Bill, No. 450, entitled

A bill to promote common schools ;

Bill, No. 476, entitled

An act to amend the act of 1854, chap. 95, passed 20th February, 1854.

The committee recommend the passage of said bills.

The committee have also had under consideration, for the third time,

Bill, No. 61, for the benefit of Columbia Academy, in McMinn

county; with the accompanying amendments; and I am directed by a majority of the committee to recommend the rejection of the bill and amendments.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. H. WOOD,
Chairman.

Mr. Tipton entered a motion to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 328, to amend the laws in reference to the liability of Sheriffs.

The motion entered to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 148, to amend the charter of the Strawberry Plains College,

Was taken up.

The House reconsidered the vote rejecting the bill, and the bill took its place on the Calendar.

The motion entered to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 180, to prescribe the duties of County Courts in regard to runaway slaves,

Was taken up, and the vote was reconsidered by the House.

On motion of Mr. Newman,

The bill was then taken up, read, and rejected.

The motion entered to reconsider the vote indefinitely postponing Bill, No. 197, to exempt Masonic, Odd-Fellows', and Temperance Halls from taxation,

Was taken up.

Mr. Bullen called for the previous question.

The call was sustained by the House.

Upon the motion to reconsider,

Mr. Cavitt demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Bartlett, Brien, Brown of Madison, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Parks, Pogue, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, and Mr. Speaker Brown—22.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Tipton, Travis, Wallace, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—44.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	44

The motion to reconsider failed.

The motion entered to reconsider the vote rejecting the Bill, No. 328, to amend the laws in reference to the liability of Sheriffs,

Was taken up.

The vote of rejection was reconsidered.

Mr. Speaker Brown, (Mr. Nixon in the chair,) offered a bill in lieu.

The bill in lieu was adopted by the House.

Mr. Bullen offered an amendment, providing that in the event the plaintiff fail to sustain his motion against the Sheriff the plaintiff shall pay all costs, together with the Attorney's fee of the Sheriff.

The amendment was rejected.

Mr. Tipton offered an amendment providing that while the property is in dispute, the Sheriff shall not be compelled to levy on said property unless the plaintiff shall execute an indemnity bond to the Sheriff, conditioned to pay all costs including lawyers' fees.

The amendment was rejected.

Mr. Parks moved

To strike out so much of the bill as allows the Sheriff two dollars for a return of no property found.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Galbreath moved

To insert one dollar.

The motion failed.

Mr. Galbreath moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

The motion failed.

The bill then passed its second reading.

The House then resumed the consideration of the unfinished business of yesterday, being Bill, No. 330, to aid in the construction of a railroad from Chattanooga to the East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad, in the direction of Knoxville, and the amendment thereto.

Pending discussion on which, the House, on motion, adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts, as follows, and the same have been deposited with Secretary of State :

An act to amend an act entitled An act to establish a Criminal Court in the county of Davidson, passed January 27, 1842.

An act authorizing the election of a Magistrate in the town of Dandridge.

The Senate has passed, on third and last reading, House Bill, No. 237, entitled A bill requiring railroad companies to drain the cuts on the side of railroads in this State.

With an amendment exempting railroad companies in East and Middle Tennessee from the operation of the law.

The Senate has passed, on third and last reading, Senate Bills, No. 167, to regulate the fees of Attornys General in certain cases;

No. 106, to amend the charter of the Knoxville and Kentucky Railroad Company;

And has adopted Senate Resolution, No. 61, providing for an adjournment of this General Assembly *sine die*, on the 18th of February, proximo.

And the said matters are herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives.

The House then resumed the consideration of the unfinished business of the morning, being Bill, No. 330, to aid in constructing a railroad from Chattanooga to the East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad, in the direction of Knoxville, and the amendments thereto.

Pending discussion on which, Mr. Davie moved that the House adjourn till 7 o'clock, to-night.

Upon which motion Mr. Shemwell demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Easterly, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—34.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Temple, and Wilson of Carroll—29.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34
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Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29
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The motion prevailed, and the House adjourned; it being $\frac{1}{2}$ before 5 o'clock, P. M.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Bobo was granted leave of absence, on account of sickness.

Mr. Brien obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 45, to secure the completion of the Smithville and McMinnville Turnpike Road, For an amendment.

The House then resumed the consideration of the unfinished business, being Bill, No. 330, to aid in constructing a railroad from Chattanooga to the East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad, in the direction of Knoxville, and the amendment thereto.

Mr. Thomas offered an amendment, providing that the bonds endorsed under the provisions of this act shall not be sold at less than par.

Mr. Mathis called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

Upon the passage of the bill, Mr. Stovall demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cobb, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, Easterly, Fort, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Northcutt, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Tipton, Wallace, and Welcker—34.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gleaves, Kimble, Little, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—31.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	34
Noes,	-	:	-	-	-	31

The bill passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Nixon,

Senate Bill, No. 135, to secure the collection of debts contracted by county commissioners,

Was taken up and passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Stovall,

It was ordered that the Journal show at what time the House adjourned this afternoon;

And the Clerk was ordered to enter on the Journal, that the House adjourned at a quarter before 5 o'clock, P. M.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY MORNING, JANUARY 24, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported a preamble and resolution to the Congress of the United States of America, as correctly enrolled.

Mr. Davie, from the Committee on Banks, reported on Bill, No. 68, to amend the Free Banking Law,

And recommended various amendments to the same; and, when so amended, that it pass.

Mr. Travis, from the Select Committee appointed by the two Houses of the General Assembly to examine the Hermitage, reported as follows:

The undersigned, who were appointed a Joint Select Committee on the part of both branches of this General Assembly, to visit the Hermitage—the late residence of Gen. Andrew Jackson—and examine the lands of the same, and report what four hundred acres of said land could be purchased for, beg leave to report, that they have discharged said duty as directed in the resolution creating the committee.

Upon examination, they found the said lands to consist of the most fertile and productive character—well watered, and supplied with an ample amount of timber. The grounds surrounding the mansion and tomb, are gracefully and most beautifully embellished. The whole tract contains about one thousand acres, slightly undulating, and is very susceptible of division, from the fact that upon the premises exist a number of large fountains of water, and the timber is interspersed throughout the place.

The present proprietor (the son of Gen. Jackson) is willing to sell to the State about one half of the tract, including all the valuable improvements and the tomb, for fifty thousand dollars; or the whole, for seventy-five thousand dollars.

These prices, your Committee are satisfied, are quite reasonable; and that the proprietor, if negotiating with private individuals, would demand and receive a much larger sum. But, in consideration of the fact, that the grave of Andrew Jackson shall be owned by Tennessee, around whose name and history he shed so much lustre, the present proprietor is willing to make a sacrifice to accomplish this purpose.

—Your Committee, in their humble judgment, think that the State should own all or a part of this property; and, therefore, most respectfully recommend that the Legislature take steps to that end.

J. W. CARTER, Ch'n of Sen. Com.

J. D. C. ATKINS,

A. W. JOHNSON,

W. E. TRAVIS, Ch'n of House Com.

G. H. NIXON.

The following Minority Report was also submitted:

The undersigned, members of said Committee, do not give any opinion as to whether the State should purchase the whole of the Hermitage premises, or even one half thereof; not understanding that they are expected or required by the House, by which they were appointed, to do so. They would like to see the buildings and the grounds immediately about them, including the tomb of Gen. Jackson, purchased by the State. They are not of the opinion that the State should purchase more than some fifty or seventy-five acres. As to the price mentioned by the majority of the Committee at which the premises could be purchased, the undersigned express no opinion; not being satisfied as to what would be a fair and reasonable price for the land.

ROBERT HATTON,
JAMES M. MEEK.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, from the Committee on Internal Improvements, reported as follows:

MR. SPEAKER:

The Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom House Bill, No. 305, was referred, have had the same under consideration; and a majority of said Committee have directed me to report the bill back, with the following recommendations:

That the amendment of the Senate be amended as set out in amendment marked B. B., and that the Senate amendments thus amended be concurred in; and that all the House amendments to Senate amendments be rejected.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

HERVEY BROWN, Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom Bill, No. 443, entitled A bill to preserve the purity of elections in the various internal improvement companies in this State, was re-committed, have had the same again under consideration; and unanimously direct me to report the former recommendation of the Committee—that the bill be rejected.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

HERVEY BROWN, Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Travis,

The morning business was suspended, in order to take up Bill, No. 305, to amend an act entitled

An act to charter the South-Western Railroad Company, &c., passed 31st January, 1852,

Mr. Meek withdrew the amendment heretofore offered by him.

Mr. Cox withdrew the amendment heretofore offered by him.

Mr. Cavitt withdrew the amendment heretofore offered by him.

Mr. Smith offered an amendment, for the benefit of the Mobile and Ohio Railroad, and for the benefit of the Charleston and Memphis Railroad, in building bridges over the Tuscumbia and Big Cypress Rivers.

Mr. Looney moved

To lay the amendment on the table ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To lay the bill and amendments on the table.

The motion failed.

On motion of Mr. Davie,

The amendments recommended by the Committee on Internal Improvements to the Senate amendments, was adopted.

Mr. Hatton offered an amendment, to aid the Nashville and Cincinnati Railroad Company in building bridges over Stone's River, and Brown's and Cedar Creeks, to the amount of seventy-five thousand dollars, and also giving said company the further time of two years to bring itself within the provisions of the various internal improvement acts of this State.

Mr. Cloud offered an amendment, extending State aid to the Cincinnati, Cumberland Gap, and Charleston Railroad Company, to aid in tunneling Clinch Mountain.

Mr. Brazelton offered an amendment, appropriating one hundred thousand dollars to aid Hardin county in building bridges over the various streams in said county, and clearing out the streams, and also appropriating ninety-five thousand dollars to each county in the State, to aid in purchasing farming utensils for the yeomanry of the State.

Mr. Wilson, of Carroll, offered an amendment, extending aid to the Nashville and North-Western Railroad Company in building bridges over Harpeth, Turnbull, Sandy, Crooked Creek, Clear Creek, and each of the Obion Rivers.

Mr. Davie called the previous question.

Upon which call, Mr. Cavitt demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Kimble, Looney, Mabry, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Rudd, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Whiteside, and Wilson of Marshall—31.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Cavitt, Cloud, Colburn, DeWitt, Dunnington, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Smith, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—37.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	31
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	37

Mr. Tipton moved

The motion prevailed.

To lay the amendment heretofore offered by Mr. Armstrong, extending State aid, to the amount of ten thousand dollars, to the Sevier Turnpike Road, on the table.

Mr. Travis demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Cloud, DeWitt, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Kinney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Smith, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, and Welcker—23.

The motion prevailed.

To lay Mr. Cloud's amendment on the table ;

Mr. Cavitt demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colburn, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Meek, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Thomas, Tipton, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, and Wilson of Carroll—26.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	42
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	26

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Travis moved

To lay the amendment, offered by Mr. Hatton, on the table.

Upon which motion,

Mr. Cavitt demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Brazelton, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox; Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Kimble, Little, Looney, Mabry, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Runnels, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Travis, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—40.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Cobb, Cook, Davie, DeWitt, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Massengill, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, and Wilson of Carroll—28.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	40
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	28

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, moved

To lay the amendment, offered by Mr. Brazelton, on the table.

Upon which motion,

Mr. Cavitt demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cloud, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Smith Snodgrass, Stovall, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—57.

Noes—Messrs. Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Cavitt, Cobb, Gilbert, Gleaves, Pogue, Shemwell, Thomas, Travis, and Ward.—12.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	57
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Mathis moved

To amend the amendment of Mr. Wilson, of Carroll, by extending State aid to the amount of thirty thousand dollars per bridge, to the Nashville and North-Western Railroad Company, to aid in building bridges across Harpeth River.

Mr. Newman moved

To lay the amendments on the table.

Upon which motion Mr. Cavitt demanded the ayes and noes which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Brien, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cloud, Colburn, Colquet, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—50.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Cavitt, Cobb, DeWitt, Gilbert, Hatton, Mathis, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Shemwell, Thomas, Ward, and Wilson of Carroll—19.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, offered an amendment,

Extending State aid, to the amount of one hundred and ten thousand dollars to the Mobile and Ohio Railroad Company, to build bridges across the three Forked Deer Rivers and the two Obion Rivers.

Mr. Dunnington moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

Upon which motion Mr. Brown, of Madison, demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cloud, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—50.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Cavitt, Cobb, Hatton, Holmes, Mabry, Parks, Pogue, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Ward, Welcker, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—18.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18

The motion prevailed.

Upon concurring in Senate's amendments, as amended by the House, Mr. Cowden called for a division of the question—upon concurring in the first amendment, the vote was as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Harris,

Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Newman, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Tipton, Welcker, and Mr. Speaker Brown—30.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Cowden, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Hatton, Kimble, Little, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—38.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	38

The amendment was non-concurred in.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Holmes, by leave of the House, presented a Bill to take the place on the Calendar of Bill, No. 115,

For the benefit of F. W. Strickland, late Assistant Architect of the State Capitol.

The bill was adopted in lieu by the House, and ordered to take the place of the original bill on the Calendar.

The amendment recommended by the Committee on Internal Improvements, in lieu of Senate amendment, No. 2, for the benefit of the Tennessee and Alabama Railroad Company, and the Central Southern Railroad Company, was concurred in and adopted by the following vote:

Ayes.—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass,

Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—64.

Noes—Messrs. Mathis, Nixon, Stovall, and Welcker—4.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	61
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4

Upon concurring in and adopting Senate amendment, No. 3, for the benefit of the Edgefield and Kentucky Railroad Company, and the Louisville, Bowling Green and Memphis Railroad Company, the vote was as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Whit side, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—52.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Cavitt, Colburn, Dunnington, Gilbert, Little, Mathis, Nixon, Parks, Shemwell, Smith Stovall, Travis, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—16.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	52
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16

Thus the amendment was concurred in.

Mr. Nixon moved

A reconsideration of the vote non-concurring in Senate amendment, No 1, for the benefit of the Winchester and Alabama Railroad Company.

The motion prevailed, and the House reconsidered the vote non-concurring in the Senate amendment.

The question then being submitted, upon concurring in the amendment, the vote was as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Cloud, Colquett, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Tipton, Welcker, Whiteside, and Mr. Speaker Brown—36.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Cavitt, Cobb, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Hatton, Little, Mathis, Meek, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—32.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	36
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	32

Thus the amendment was concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Rudd,

The Clerk was ordered to transmit the bill and amendments to the Senate without delay.

Mr. Meek introduced Bill, No. 508, to charter the Strawberry Plains, Dandridge and Newport Railroad Company ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Cavitt called for the special order, being Bill, No. 303, to purchase the Hermitage, and establish an Agricultural and Military School.

The bill was taken up and read.

Mr. Travis moved to amend the bill by striking out sixty thousand dollars, and inserting in lieu fifty thousand dollars, and so changing the language of the bill as to provide for the purchase of five hundred acres of the Hermitage tract of land.

Mr. Dunnington offered an amendment by way of proviso, leaving it at the discretion of the Governor to purchase the property, according to whether, upon investigation, he shall find the price to be exorbitant or not.

Mr. Parks offered an amendment levying a tax of two cents on the hundred dollars of the taxable property, and of ten cents on the polls of the State, to raise a fund with which to purchase the Hermitage.

Mr. Snodgrass offered a bill in lieu providing for the purchase of the tomb of Jackson, and the removal of his remains to the grounds of the State Capitol for entombment.

Mr. Newman moved

To lay the bill in lieu on the table ;

Upon which motion, Mr. Snodgrass demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—51.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Brazelton, Brien, Burch, Cloud, Cook, Gleaves, Little, Looney, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, and Wallace—16.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	51
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16

The motion prevailed.

The amendment proposed by Mr. Travis was then adopted by the House.

The amendment proposed by Mr. Dunnington, was next adopted.

Mr. Travis called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Hatton, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Temple, Travis, White-side, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—41.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Cook, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Little, Looney, Massengill, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, and Wilson of Carroll—26.

Ayes,	- - - - -	41
Noes,	- - - - -	26

On motion of Mr. Bullen,

The bill was ordered to be transmitted at once to the Senate.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY MORNING, JANUARY 25, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Ball presented a petition from sundry citizens praying for the formation of the county of Cass, out of the territory at present included within the counties of Grainger, Jefferson, Hawkins, Greene and Cocke.

The petition was received and referred to the Committee on New Counties and County Lines.

Mr. Brien returned Bill, No. 45, to secure the completion of the McMinnville and Smithville Turnpike Road, heretofore withdrawn by him for amendment.

Mr. Colquet returned Bill, No. 121, to prohibit the adulterating vinous and spirituous liquors in this State, heretofore withdrawn by him, with amendments.

Mr. Newman returned Bill, No. 125, to repeal portions of the

Omnibus Internal Improvement acts, heretofore withdrawn by him, with a bill in lieu.

Mr. Wood of Hardeman moved

To take up Senate Bill, No. 130, for the benefit of the Tennessee Hospital for the Insane.

The motion prevailed, and the bill passed first reading.

Mr. Newman moved

To take up Bill, No. 295, to incorporate the Richie Printing and Publishing Company in the city of Nashville, and for other purposes.

The motion prevailed, and

The bill was taken up ;

And the Senate amendments to the same concurred in.

Mr. Stovall moved

To take up Bill, No. 505, for the relief of Widows.

The motion prevailed,

And the bill was taken up, and passed second reading.

Mr. Gleaves moved

To take up Senate Bill, 104, to charter the Tennessee Marble Mining and Manufacturing Company,

The motion prevailed,

The bill was taken, and passed first reading.

Mr. Looney moved

To have 75 copies of Bill, No. 504, to regulate the traffic in arden spirits, and for other purposes, printed for the use of the House.

The motion failed.

Mr. Bullen moved

To suspend the special order, being Bill, No. 178, to establish a State Normal School, &c.

The motion failed.

Mr. Davie moved

To make Bill, No. 68, to amend the Free Banking Law.

The special order for Tuesday, the 29th inst., at 10 o'clock, A. M.

The motion prevailed, and order made.

The special order was the taken up, being Bill, No. 178, to establish a State Normal School, and for other purposes.

Pending discussion on which,

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled Resolution, addressed to the Congress of the United States in regard to the remission, temporarily, of duty upon railroad iron;

And the same has been deposited with the Secretary of State.

The Senate has passed, on third and last reading, House Bills, No. 225, to amend an act to authorize and regulate county subscriptions to railroad stock.

And Bill, No. 353, for the benefit of Union county;

And has concurred in House amendment to Senate amendment to House Bill, No. 305, to amend the charter of the South Western Railroad Company;

And the same are herewith transmitted for enrollment.

The Senate has rejected House Bill, No. 53, entitled

A bill to attach portions of Bledsoe and Marion counties to the county of Hamilton;

And the same is herewith returned.

The unfinished business of the morning was temporarily suspended.

Mr. Brazelton, by leave of the House, introduced Resolution, No. 140, as follows :

Resolved, That the "being" who perpetrated the deed of disfiguring the specimen, by a sculptor, which was placed in the House of Representatives, for the accommodation of members, is requested to let his name be known, in order that a proper estimate may be placed upon his "ambition."

Resolved further, If he neglects or refuses to present this House with his name, that the Speaker appoint a committee of three to investigate and report on the same.

On motion,

The rule was suspended, and the resolution was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Holmes,

Bill, No. 300, to authorize the Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company to sell their bonds at, above, or below par, and for other purposes,

Was taken up.

Mr. Welcker offered an amendment extending to the Chattanooga and Central Kentucky Railroad Company the further time of four years, within which to commence their road.

The amendment was adopted,

And the title of the bill amended to fit it.

The bill then passed the third reading, by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Taylor, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—56.

Noes—Messrs. Gilbert, Mathis, Nixon, Stovall, and Wilson of Marshall—5.

On motion of Mr. Stovall,

Bill, No. 395, for the relief of R. T. Daniel, of the county of Stewart,

Was taken up,

And passed third reading, by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brzaelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass Stovall, Taylor, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, Mr. Speaker Brown—65.

Noes—None.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	40
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	0

On motion,

Both bills were ordered to be transmitted to the Senate without delay.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Senate has passed, on third and last reading, House Bill, No. 278, entitled

A bill to amend the Internal Improvement Acts of 1852-4, after adopting two amendments to the same ;

Which are herewith transmitted for the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. Brown, of Madison,

The message just received from the Senate, was taken up, and the Senate's amendments to House Bill, No. 278, to amend the In-

ternal Improvement Acts of 1852-4, were concurred in by the House.

Mr. Newman, by leave of the House, introduced Bill, No. 509, to create a sinking fund to liquidate the State bonds granted to internal improvements;

Which passed first reading.

The House then resumed the consideration of the unfinished business of the morning, being

Bill, No. 178, to establish a State Normal School, and for other purposes.

Mr. Cook offered an amendment, providing that the pupils admitted into said school should be at least sixteen years of age;

Which was adopted.

The recommendation of the Committee on Education and Common Schools, to fill the blank in section 6 with two hundred, the blank in section 8 with fifty thousand, the blank in section 9 with five thousand, was concurred in.

Mr. Holmes moved

To amend, by filling the blank, as to the location of the school, with Lebanon, in the county of Wilson.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Pogue moved

To fill the blank as to the salary of the Superintendent of Public instruction, with two thousand dollars.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Looney called for the previous question.

The call was sustained by the House.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Campbell, Carlock, Cook, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatten, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—34.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Harris, Kimble, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Tipton, Travis, White-side, and Wood of Cannon—28.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28

Mr. Wilson, of Carroll, entered a motion to reconsider the vote just taken.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 7 o'clock, to-night.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Tipton moved

To take up bills on their third reading.

The motion prevailed.

Bill, No. 25, to reduce the Circuit Courts to two terms in each year,

Was taken up.

Mr. Newman moved

To fill the blank for the time of holding court in Franklin county, by inserting first Mondays in May and November.

Mr. Northcutt moved

To fill the blank as to the time for holding court in the county of Grundy, by inserting third Mondays in January and July.

Mr. Bullen moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

Mr. Nixon demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Cobb, Cowden, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Shemwell, Stovall, Tipton, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—35.

Noes—Messrs. Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Fort, Gleaves, Little, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—24.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35
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Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24
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The motion prevailed.

Bill, No. 57, to authorize the taking of the depositions of practicing physicians,

Was taken up and passed third reading by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Dortch, Easterly, Fort, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Mathis, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Taylor, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—40.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cobb, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Massengill, Meek, Newman, Parks, Rudd, Stovall, Wallace, Wood of Hardeman—18.

Bill, No. 61, for the benefit of Columbia Academy, in McMinn county,

Was taken up.

Mr. Tipton moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill and amendments.

The motion prevailed, and the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Holmes entered a motion

To reconsider the vote postponing Bill, No. 25.

Bill, No. 89, the better to secure costs in prosecutions for misdemeanors,

Was taken up.

Upon its passage on third reading, the vote was as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Burch, Cavitt, Carmichael, Easterly, Gallaway, Harris, Looney, Mabry, Myatt, Pope, Snodgrass, Taylor, Tipton, Travis, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—19.

Noes—Messrs. Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Dortch, Dunnington, Fort, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Rudd, Shemwell, Stovall, Tompkins, Wallace, Welcker, Wilson of Carroll, and Wood of Hardeman—34.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	19
Noes,	.	-	-	-	-	34

The bill was rejected.

On motion of Mr. Little,

Bill, No. 258, to extend the corporate limits of the town of Unionville, and for other purposes,

Was taken up, and passed third reading.

On motion of Mr. Cowden,

Bill, No. 261, to incorporate the Tennessee Female College and the Buchanan College at Winchester,

Was taken up.

Mr. Cowden offered an amendment to Senate amendment to the bill, incorporating the Odd Fellows' Female Institute, at Cornersville, in Giles county.

Mr. Galbreath offered an amendment incorporating Flynn's Lick Institute.

Mr. Gleaves offered an amendment incorporating Mount Juliet High School.

Mr. Burch offered an amendment incorporating the Masonic Educational Association of Chattanooga.

Mr. Tompkins offered an amendment incorporating the Trustees of Union Hill Academy, in Rutherford county.

Mr. Speaker Brown, (Mr. Looney in the chair,) offered an amendment, amendatory of the charter of the Metropolitan Hotel Company, as contained in an act passed 25th of February, 1852.

Mr. Pogue offered an amendment incorporating Clifton College.

The various amendments were adopted, and the Senate amendment, as amended, concurred in by the House, and the title of the bill changed to fit the various amendments.

Mr. Galbreath moved

To transmit the bill to the Senate without delay.

The motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Nixon,

Bill, No. 223, directory to the Comptroller of the Treasury for the benefit of Absalom Selcer,

Was taken up, and passed third reading by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cobb, Colburn, Cowden, Dortch, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Graves, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Shemwell, Taylor, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—43.

Nays—Messrs. Cavitt, Colquet, Gilbert, Snodgrass, Stovall, Tipson, Wilson of Carroll.

Mr. Galbreath entered a motion

To reconsider the vote ordering Bill, No. 261, to be transmitted to the Senate.

Mr. Parks entered a motion

To reconsider the vote passing Bill, No. 223, on third reading.

On motion,

The House adjourned till to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

SATURDAY MORNING, JANUARY 26, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Parks withdrew the motion entered by him on last night, to reconsider the vote passing Bill, No. 223, on third reading.

Mr. Galbreath withdrew the motion entered by him on last night, to reconsider the vote ordering the immediate transmission of Bill, No. 261, to the Senate.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported bills Nos. 300, 303, and 395, as correctly engrossed;

And also, Bills, Nos. 225, 278, 295, and 353, as correctly enrolled.

Mr. Algee introduced Resolution, No. 141, as follows:

Whereas, The present Legislature has been in session for near four months, and the Calendar now shows an amount of business sufficient to keep the body in session until the first of March, even with the strictest economy of time; therefore,

Resolved, That, in order to facilitate business and shorten the session, no member shall speak to any question for a longer time than ten minutes the first speech, and no more than five the second; and it is the duty of the Speaker to call any member to order who may exceed that time.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To suspend the rule, in order to take up the resolution.

The motion failed.

On motion of Mr. Cavitt,

The various reports of the Commissioners appointed to investigate the different Branches of the Bank of Tennessee, were referred to the Committee on Banks.

On motion of Mr. Gleaves,

The motion entered to reconsider the vote passing Bill, No. 178, to establish a State Normal School, and for other puposes,

Was taken up.

After some discussion, Mr. Wilson, of Carroll, called for the previous question. The call was sustained.

Upon the motion to reconsider, Mr. Cavitt demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Dunnington, Easterly, Gallaway, Gilbert, Kimble, Mathis Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, and Wilson of Marshall—27.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cook, Dortch, DeWitt, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—36.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36

The motion failed.

On motion of Mr. Dortch,

Bill, No. 286, explanatory of the proviso to the 16th section of the Internal Improvement Law of this State, passed 11th February, 1852,

Was taken up.

Mr. Holmes offered an amendment, amendatory of the act of February 28, 1854, chapter 321, section 6.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Parks offered an amendment, amendatory of the 8th section

of the act passed 22d January, 1852, entitled An act to authorize and regulate county subscriptions to railroad stock, chapter 117.

The amendmen^t was adopted.

The bill then passed third reading, by the following vote :

Ayes—Mr. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—61.

Noes—Messrs. Mathis and Stovall—2.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	61
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2

On motion of Mr. Travis,

The bill was ordered to be transmitted to the Senate at once.

Mr. Myatt returned Bill, No, 168,

To amend an act entitled An act to establish a system of Common Schools, passed February 28, 1854, heretofore withdrawn by him for amendment.

The bill was taken up.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

To amend, by striking out a tax of ten cents on the one hundred dollars of taxable property, and insert five cents in lieu.

The amendment was adopted.

The amendment of Mr. Myatt, levying a tax of ten cents on the State for common school purposes,

Was adopted.

Mr. Harris called for the previous question.

The call was sustained.

The bill was then rejected.

Mr. Gleaves moved

That the House adjourn till 9 o'clock, Monday morning.

The motion failed.

Mr Thomas moved

To adjourn till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

The motion failed.

Mr. Burch moved

To take up Bill, No. 330, to aid in constructing a railroad from Chattanooga to the East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad, in the direction of Knoxville.

Mr. Cavitt called the ayes and noes on the motion to take up, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cobb, Cook, Cox, Dortch, Easterly, Fort,

Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Taylor, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace and Welcker—34.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Cavitt, Cloud, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, DeWitt, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gilbert, Kimble, Mabry, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Travis, Ward, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—32.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32

The motion prevailed, and the bill was taken up.

Mr. Brien called for the previous question.

Upon which call Mr. Mathis demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Colquet, Cook Dunnington, Easterly, Gallaway, Harris, Massengill, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Rudd, Smith, Thomas, Tipton, Ward, and Wilson of Marshall—23.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brazelton, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, DeWitt, Fort, Galbreath, Gilbert, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Mathis, Myatt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Skemwell, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—40.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40

The House refused to sustain the call.

Mr. Mabry moved

That the House adjourn till 2 o'clock this afternoon.

The House refused to adjourn.

Mr. Thomas offered an amendment, providing, that the bonds to be endorsed under the provisions of the bill, should not be sold at a less price than par.

Mr. Mathis offered an amendment, providing for the endorsement of the bonds of the Nashville and North-Western Railroad Company to the amount of one hundred thousand dollars, to aid said company in completing their road.

Mr. Galbreath offered an amendment, appropriating ten thousand dollars in coupon bonds of the State, running thirty years to maturity, to aid in completing a turnpike road from Gainsboro, in the county of Jackson, to Defeated Creek, in Smith county.

Mr. Speaker Brown, (Mr. Travis in the Chair,) offered the following in lieu of the bill and amendments :

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That the East Tennessee and Virginia Railroad Company

is hereby authorized to issue two hundred thousand dollars of its bonds, and upon doing so, it shall be the duty of the Governor to endorse the same; provided, that the amount of bonds so endorsed shall abate so much out of the aggregate of State aid, heretofore granted to said company, and not yet realized; and such abatement may be taken out of the last of such aid belonging to said company.

At the instance of the friends of the original bill, the bill in lieu was withdrawn by Mr. Speaker Brown.

Mr. Burch moved

To amend the amendment of Mr. Thomas, by specifying in said amendment the bonds of the East Tennessee and Virginia Railroad Company, and the bonds of the Nashville and Chattanooga Railroad Company.

Mr. Burch's amendment to Mr. Thomas's amendment was adopted.

Mr. Thomas's amendment, as amended, was then adopted.

Mr. Bullen called for the previous question.

The call was sustained by the House.

Upon the passage of the bill on third and last reading, the vote was as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Easterly, Fort, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Tipton, Wallace, and Welcker—35.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Kimble, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Pogue, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—30.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30

The bill passed its third reading.

Mr. Speaker Brown presented a communication from the President of the Bank of Tennessee, as follows:

BANK OF TENNESSEE, January 26, 1856.

DEAR SIR—The State of Tennessee is in debt to the Bank of Tennessee the sum of three hundred and ninety dollars. I inclose a copy of the certificate of the Secretary of State, showing how, and on what account, the liability was created. It will, I presume, require an act of the Legislature directing the Treasurer to issue his warrant therefor.

I am, respectfully, your obedient servant,

C. JOHNSON, President.

The Hon. NEILL S. BROWN, Speaker of the House of Represent's.

The communication was read, and referred to the Commissioners heretofore appointed to investigate the condition of the Bank of Tennessee, at Nashville.

The following Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk :

MR. SPEAKER :—

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled act, entitled
An act to amend an act entitled An act to incorporate Hiwassee College, passed January 25, 1850 ;

And enrolled Resolution,

For the benefit of James D. Thompson, J. W. Carter, A. M. Savage, and W. Britton ;

And the same are hereby transmitted for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has passed on third reading, Senate Bills as follows, and the same are herewith transmitted for the consideration of the House of Representatives :

No. 72, to provide an annual sum for the support and maintenance of the Deaf and Dumb Asylum at Knoxville.

No. 100, to provide a remedy in favor of private individuals against the State of Tennessee.

No. 142, to incorporate the Fulton Plank Road Company.

No. 148, to be entitled An act to extend further time to C. F. Welcker, W. S. Center, and A. Adkinson, to construct a turnpike road.

No. 177, to confer certain powers on the Surveyors of the different counties in this State.

No. 183, for the benefit of the railroad tax payers of Davidson county.

No. 194, for the benefit of James Mitchell.

And Senate Bill, No. 182, entitled

A bill for the benefit of the Commissioners of the East Tennessee Fair, adopted in lieu of House Resolution, No. 54,

Declaring the sense of the General Assembly as to the proper use of the one thousand dollars derived from the State, for the East Tennessee Division Fair, for 1854.

Mr. Rudd moved

To transmit Bill, No. 330, to aid in constructing a railroad from Chattanooga to the East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad, in the direction of Knoxville,

At once to the Senate.

Pending which, Mr. Dunnington moved

To adjourn till Monday morning, 9 o'clock.

Mr. Newman demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, DeWitt, Dunnington, Fort,

Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Holmes, Kimble, Looney, Mabry, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Ward, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood* of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—35.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Cox, Dortch, Easterly, Harris, Hatton, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, and Welcker—30.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30

The motion prevailed, and the House adjourned (it then being half past one o'clock, P. M.) until Monday morning, 9 o'clock.

MONDAY MORNING, JANUARY 28, 1856.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported Bill, No. 305, to amend an act entitled An act to charter the South-Western Railroad Company, and for other purposes, passed January 31, 1852, as correctly enrolled.

Mr. Newman, by leave of the House, withdrew Bill, 509, to create a sinking fund to liquidate the State bonds granted to Internal Improvements, for amendment.

Mr. Richey introduced Bill, No 510, to prevent obstructions in running streams, and their becoming nuisances;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Burch moved

To reconsider the vote passing Bill, No. 330, to aid in constructing a railroad from Chattanooga to the East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad in the direction of Knoxville, on its third reading.

Mr. Harris called for the previous question.

The call was sustained by the House.

Upon the motion to reconsider, Mr. Cavitt demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Cavitt,

Colquet, DeWitt, Dortch, Gilbert, Kimble, Mathis, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Ward, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—21.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Bullen, Burch Campbell, Carlock, Carnichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Harris, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tipton, Wallace, Welcker, White Wilson of Marshall—37.

The motion to reconsider failed.

Mr. Algee called up Resolution, No. 141, amendatory of the rules of the House, offered by him on Saturday.

Mr. Galbreath moved

To lay the Resolution on the table.

The motion failed.

Mr. Holmes moved

To amend by striking out ten minutes and inserting thirty minutes.

Mr. Shemwell called for the previous question.

The call was sustained by the House.

Upon the adoption of the Resolution, Mr. DeWitt demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colburn, Easterly, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Mathis, Northcutt, Parks, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Travis, Wallace, and Wilson of Carroll—27.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Colquet, Cowden, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Galbreath, Holmes, Kimble, Looney, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—32.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32

The House refused to adopt the resolution.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, called up Resolution, No. 124, directory to the Comptroller to audit the account of John M. Morrell.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

To amend by including the Register of the Mountain District of Tennessee, within the provisions of the resolution.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Newman moved

To amend by including the Register of the Land Office, at Knoxville, within the provisions of the resolution.

The amendment was adopted,

And the resolution, as amended, was adopted by the House.

Mr. Looney moved

To take up the calender and proceed with bills on their third reading.

The motion prevailed.

Bill, No. 45, to secure the completion of the Smithville and Mc-Minnville Turnpike Road,

Passed third reading, by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cox, DeWitt, Fort, Galbreath, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Tipton, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—40.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Cavitt, Cowden, Dortch, Easterly, Gallaway, Gilbert, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—20

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	40
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	20

Mr. Galbreath moved

To transmit the bill to the Senate without delay.

The motion, prevailed.

Bill, No. 92 on the subject of Champerty, and for other purposes,

Was taken up.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, moved

To amend by providing that suits now pending should not be affected by the passage of the act.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill then passed its third reading, by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Taylor, Thomas, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—44.

Noes—Messrs. Bartlett, Brazelton, Campbell, Cavitt, Gallaway, Gilbert, Mathis, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Stovall, Tipton, Wallace, and Wilson of Carroll—14.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	44
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	14

On motion of Mr. Ward,

The bill was ordered to be transmitted, without delay, to the Senate.

Bill, No. 93, for the relief of the heirs of Samuel Saffell, deceased, passed its third reading.

Bill, No. 95, to amend the criminal laws of this State,
Was taken up.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill, and demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bräzelton, Bullen, Campbell, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cox, Easterly, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Snodgrass, Stovall, Tipton, Welcker, and White—27.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cowden, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Holmes, Kimble, Looney, Nixon, Parks, Smith, Taylor, Thomas, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—31.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31

The motion failed.

Mr. Brien called the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill was then rejected by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cowden, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Fort, Gallaway, Gilbert, Looney, Nixon, Parks, Thomas, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—26.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Brazelton, Bullen, Campbell, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cox, Easterly, Galbreath, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Snodgrass, Stovall, Tipton, Welcker, and White—30.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30

Bill, No. 100, to authorize County Surveyers to swear all juries and chain-carriers,

Was taken up.

Mr. Mathis moved

To amend, by extending the provisions of the bill to Deputy Surveyors.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Travis, Wal-

lace, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—52.

Noes—Messrs. Burch, Cavitt, Massengill, Meek, Shemwell, Snodgrass, and Ward—7.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	52
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7

Bill, No. 106, to equalize the labor and expenses of keeping up public roads in this State,

Was taken up.

Mr. Stovall moved

To amend, by striking out "one dollar," wherever it occurs, and inserting "one dollar and a half."

The amendment was rejected.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes and noes were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Bullen, Carlock, Cobb, Colburn, Easterly, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Tipton, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, and White—27.

Noes—Messrs. Brown of Madison, Burch, Cavitt, Cloud, Colquet, Cowden, Cox, Dunnington, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Holmes, Kimble, Looney, Mabry, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Smith, Thomas, Travis, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—29.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29

The bill was rejected.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Cox entered a motion to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 95, to amend the criminal laws of this State.

Bill, No. 108, to promote improvement in the criminal law, and for other purposes, passed third reading by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cook, Cowden, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Myatt, Parks, Pogue, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Ward, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—40.

Noes—Messrs. Bullen, Burch, Carmichael, Colburn, Easterly, Harris, Kinney, Mathis, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, and Wallace—16.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16

Bill, No. 114, to amend the small offence law, passed January 10, 1848, chap. 55, passed third reading by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Brazelton, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Tipton, Travis, Wallace, and Wilson of Carroll—37.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cook, DeWitt, Dortch, Hatton, Looney, Meek, Pogue, Richey, Thomas, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—21.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	37
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21

Bill, No. 63, to change the manner of taxing lands divided by a county line, passed third reading by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Bullen, Cloud, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Travis, Wallace, Welcker, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—41.

Noes—Messrs. Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cobb, Cox, Hatton, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Thomas, Tipton, Ward, and White—16.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	41
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16

Bill, No. 115, for the relief of Thomas Shelton, and for other purposes, passed third reading by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath,

Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—48.

Noes—Messrs. Carmichael, Meek, Newman, Snodgrass, Tipton, Wallace, and Wilson of Marshall—7.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	48
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	7

Bill, No. 117, to provide for the erection of statues of Gen. Washington, Gen. Jackson, James K. Polk, Hugh Lawson White, and John Sevier,

Was taken up.

Mr. Armstrong called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill was then rejected by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Carlock, Cox, Dortch, Dunnington, Holmes, Kimble, Looney, Ward, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—14.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, DeWitt, Easterly, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Travis, Wallace, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, and Wilson of Marshall—46.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	14
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	46

Mr. Mabry entered a motion to reconsider the vote rejecting the bill.

Mr. Newman moved

To take up the motion to reconsider.

The motion prevailed.

Upon the motion to reconsider, Mr. Snodgrass demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Carlock, Cavitt, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Dortch, Dunnington, Fort, Holmes, Kimble, Looney, Mabry, Pope, Smith, Thomas, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Whiteside, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—26.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, DeWitt, Easterly, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Tipton, Welcker, White, and Wilson of Carroll—33.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	26
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	33

The House refused to reconsider.

Bill, No. 132, to amend the charter of the Nashville and Middle Franklin Turnpike Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Kinney offered an amendment repealing the proviso to the 4th section of an act passed 2d of March, 1854, entitled

An act appropriating four thousand dollars to aid in constructing the Mulberry Gap and Rogersville Turnpike.

The amendment was adopted, and the bill then passed third reading.

Bill, No. 135, for the benefit of administrators and guardians, passed third reading, by the following vote :

Ayes--Messrs. Ball, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Colquet, Cowden, Cox, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gilbert, Holmes, Kimble, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Thomas, Travis, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—32.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carmichael, Cobb, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Kinney, Meek, Parks, Snodgrass, Stovall, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, and Wilson of Carroll—23.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23

Bill, No. 143, to reduce the price of Public Printing,

Was taken up.

Mr. Dunnington moved

Its indefinite postponement.

Mr. Bullen demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Brien, Burch, Cavitt, Cloud, Cook, Cowden, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Fort, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Hatton, Looney, Mabry, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Rudd, Smith, Thomas, Travis, Ward, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, and Wood of Hardeman—30.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cox, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Pogue, Snodgrass, Stovall, Tipon, Wallace, Welcker, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—28,

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28

The motion prevailed, and the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported Bill, No. 286, as correctly engrossed.

Bill, No. 112, to amend an act entitled

An act to amend the revenue laws of this State, passed February 5, 1848,

Was taken up.

Mr. Stovall offered a bill in lieu,

Which was adopted.

The bill was then rejected by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Cloud, Cobb, Colburn, Cowden, Dortch, Dunnington, Holmes, Looney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Rudd, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Ward, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—29.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Brazelton, Brien, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Cook, Cox, DeWitt, Fort, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Meek, Newman, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Snodgrass, Travis, Wallace, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Wood of Hardeman—30.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30

Mr. Newman moved

To reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 106.

The motion failed.

Mr. Bullen asked leave to withdraw the bill ; which permission the House refused to grant him.

Bill, No. 144, to change the name of Tazewell Academy,

Passed third reading,

Bill, No. 146, to amend the law of 1825, chapter 56,

Was taken up.

Mr. Holmes offered an amendment, amendatory of the act of 1819, chapter 25, page 71.

Mr. Bullen offered to amend the amendment of Mr. Holmes, by providing that when any Clerk and Master shall commit an error in taking an account, he shall be entitled to no fees for his services.

Mr. Parks moved

To amend the amendment of Mr. Bullen, by inserting the word "intentional" before the word "error."

Mr. Bullen moved

To lay Mr. Parks' amendment on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Hatton moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

The motion prevailed.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Cloud, Cook, Cox, Dortch, Fort, Galbreath, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Looney, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Thomas, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—34.

Noes—Messrs. Bullen, Campbell, Cavitt, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn,

Cowden, DeWitt, Dunnington, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Tipton, Travis, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman—28.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28

Bill, No. 150, to incorporate the Nashville and Memphis United States Mail Packet Line, and for other purposes,

Passed third reading.

Bill, No. 153, to authorize Sarah A. Prock to open a turnpike road,

Passed third reading.

Bill, No. 155, to prevent incompetent persons from teaching free schools,

Was taken up.

Mr. Cavitt offered an amendment, providing that the act should not go into effect until twelve months after the establishment of the Normal School.

Mr. Carlock called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cobb, Colquet, Cook, Cowden, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Fort, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Pogue, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Thomas, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—38.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Brazelton, Bullen, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Colburn, Harris, Kimble, Mabry, Mathis, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Tipton, Travis, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, and Wilson of Marshall—24.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	38
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24

On motion of Mr. Brien,

All bills which have passed third reading were ordered to be transmitted to the Senate without delay.

On motion,

The House adjourned till to-night, at 7 o'clock.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Galbreath, by leave of the House, introduced Resolution, No. 142, instructing our Senators and requesting our Representatives to procure an appropriation to improve the navigation of Cumberland River.

Mr. Galbreath moved

A suspension of the rule.

The motion failed.

Bill, No. 149, to amend the 15th section of an act passed February 28th, 1852, entitled An act to charter the Nashville, Franklin and Columbia Railroad Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Newman offered an amendment, to provide a Sinking Fund to liquidate State Bonds granted to Internal Improvement Companies.

Mr. Nixon offered an amendment to the amendment of Mr. Newman, providing that the Sinking Fund shall be invested by the President of the Bank of Tennessee in State Bonds, and the interest on said Bonds to be likewise applied in the purchase of State Bonds ;

Which was adopted by the House.

Mr. Brien called the previous question.

The House refused to sustain the call.

Mr. Newman withdrew his amendment.

The bill then passed third reading.

Mr. Newman returned Bill, No. 509, to create a Sinking Fund to liquidate State Bonds granted to Internal Improvements ;

And moved to take up the same.

The motion prevailed, and the bill was taken up.

Mr. Nixon offered an amendment, providing for the President of the Bank of Tennessee to invest said Sinking Fund in State Bonds, and also to invest the interest accruing on said Bonds in other State Bonds.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill then passed second reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Cavitt gave notice to the House of his intention to enter a protest against the passage of Bill, No. 155,

To prevent incompetent persons from teaching free schools.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

That the House take up bills on second reading.

The motion prevailed.

Bill, No. 329, to amend the laws in reference to appeals from from Courts of Chancery in certain cases,

Passed second reading.

Mr. Travis asked leave to withdraw Bill, No. 331, to re-organize the Judicial System of Tennessee, and to reform the Code of Practice.

The House refused to grant the leave.

The bill was then taken up and read the second time.

Mr. DeWitt offered a bill in lieu.

Mr. Newman called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

Upon the passage of the bill on second reading, Mr. Bullen demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, DeWitt, Donelson, Easterly, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Tipton, Travis, Whiteside, and Wilson of Marshall—32.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Burch, Carlock, Colburn, Cox, Dortch, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Temple, Tompkins, Wallace, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—26.

Ayes,	- - - - -	32
Noes, -	- - - - -	26

The bill passed second reading.

Mr. Travis then obtained leave of the House to withdraw the bill.

Bill, No. 333, prescribing certain duties to be performed by the Register of the Land Office, and for other purposes,

Was taken up.

The bill in lieu, recommended by the Committee on Public Lands, was adopted by the House.

The bill then passed second reading.

Bill, No. 334, to amend an act passed 21st February, 1852, chapter 154,

Passed second reading, and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Bill, No. 336, to amend the charter of the Memphis and Somerville Turnpike Company,

Was taken up.

A bill in lieu, offered by Mr. Bartlett, was adopted.

Mr. Carmichael offered an amendment, amendatory of the charter of the Bean Station Turnpike Company.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill then passed second reading.

Bill, No. 337, to transfer certain record books and papers from the Secretary's Office to the Land Office,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 338, to charter the Memphis and Germantown Turnpike Company,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 339, to establish a Chancery Court at Clinton,

Was taken up.

The amendment recommended by the Judiciary Committee, to strike out the second section, was adopted by the House.

The bill then passed second reading.

Bill, No. 340, to incorporate the New Pulaski Cemetery,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 341, authorizing the election of a Magistrate in the town of Camden,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 343, authorizing the election of a Justice of the Peace in the town of Calhoun, McMinn county,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 344, to prescribe the manner of changing the title of lands sold for public taxes,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 349½, to prevent free persons of color from peddling and bartering,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 350, to authorize Wm. Ridenour to erect a dam, &c.,

Was taken up.

Mr. Wallace moved

To amend, by inserting the word "mill" before the word "dam."

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Easterly offered an amendment, authorizing W. H. Grayson to erect a dam across Sequatchee River, accompanied by a petition from sundry citizens of Marion county, praying for such permission to be granted said Grayson.

The petition was received, the amendment adopted, and the bill then passed second reading.

Bill, No. 354, to amend the laws in reference to Notaries Public,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 352, for the relief of John W. Graham and others,

Was rejected.

Bill, No. 354, to charter the Elizabethton and Owensville Turnpike Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Campbell offered an amendment, amendatory of the charter of the Turnpike Company authorized to build a road from Stephen Huff's to the Painted Rock, in Cocke county.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill then passed second reading, and was withdrawn for amendment by Mr. Tipton.

Bill, No. 307, requiring Trustees to close trust deeds and make settlement,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 359, to amend the fourth section of an act passed February 2, 1850, incorporating the town of Pulaski,

Passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Carlock,

Senate Bill, No. 149, to extend to the Chattanooga, Harrison, Georgetown, and Charleston Railroad Company further time in which to enable them to obtain State aid, and for other purposes,

Was taken up and passed first reading.

On motion, Senate Bill, No. 183, for the benefit of the railroad tax payers of Davidson county,

Was taken up, and passed first reading.

On motion,

The House adjourned till to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

TUESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 29, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported Bills, Nos. 57, 92, 93, 100, 108, 114, 135, 144, 223, 178, 258, 330, as correctly engrossed.

Mr. Gleaves from the Select Committee appointed to take into consideration Bill, No. 480, to provide for the future management of the State Hospital, and for other purposes,

Recommended that the same be amended and passed.

Mr. Nixon introduced Resolution, No. 143,

Directory to the Commissioners on the State Capitol.

On motion of Mr. Nixon,

The rule was suspended, and the resolution referred to the Committee on the State Capitol.

Mr. Meek introduced Resolution, No. 144,

Calling for a committee of the two Houses of the General Assembly to visit the Deaf and Dumb Asylum at Knoxville.

The resolution, under the rule, was laid over.

Messrs. Brien, and Brown, of Madison, asked and obtained leave to change their votes on Bill, No. 331,

To re-organize the Judicial System of Tennessee and reform the Code of Practice.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, stated that on last evening the gentleman from Henry, (Mr. Travis,) asked leave to withdraw the above mentioned bill, which was refused. Thereupon, he (Mr. Brown,) and the gentleman from DeKalb, (Mr. Brien,) voted for the bill as

a compliment to the gentleman from Henry, the author of the bill, with the understanding that the bill was to be finally withdrawn. That they were opposed to the bill as it stood, and they supposed all the members of the House knew these facts. They were, however, informed this morning that this vote is to be insisted upon as a test vote of the friends of the bill; and that while they are in favor of Law Reform proper, they are opposed to this bill; and, that they may be understood rightly, they ask that their votes may be changed on the Journal.

Messrs. Armstrong, Cook, and Ward, asked and obtained leave to enter their votes in opposition to the bill, they having been absent last night when the vote was taken.

Messrs. Richey and Stovall obtained leave to enter their votes in favor of the bill, they having been absent last night when the vote was taken on the bill.

Mr. Speaker Brown (Mr. Gleaves in the chair,) moved

A suspension of the thirty-third Rule of the House, prohibiting a motion to reconsider a vote of reconsideration.

Mr. Dunnington demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cook, Cowden, Cox, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Myatt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Rudd, Shemwell, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson, of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—47.

Noes—Messrs. Brazelton, Bullen, Campbell, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Harris, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Richey, Snodgrass, and Wallace—21.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	47
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21

There being a majority of two-thirds in the affirmative, the rule was suspended.

It was then in order to move a reconsideration of the vote refusing to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 117,

To provide for the erection of statues of General Washington, Gen. Jackson, James K. Polk, Hugh Lawson White, and John Sevier.

Mr. Parks moved

A reconsideration of the vote refusing to reconsider.

Mr. Galbreath demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cook, Cowden, Cox, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble,

Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Myatt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Rudd, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—46.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Campbell, Carmichael Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Harris, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Richey, Wallace, Wilson of Marshall—21.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	46
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21

The House reconsidered the vote refusing to re-consider.

Mr. Stovall moved

A reconsideration of the vote rejecting the bill.

The motion prevailed, and the vote of rejection was reconsidered.

Mr. Tipton moved

A reconsideration of the vote sustaining the call for the previous question on the bill.

The motion prevailed, and the vote was reconsidered.

The bill was then before the House.

Mr. Speaker Brown moved

That he have leave to withdraw all the names in the bill after the names of General Washington and General Jackson.

Mr. Hatton called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

Upon the motion of Mr. Speaker Brown, Mr. Bullen demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Cook, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Little, Mabry, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—33.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bullen, Campbell, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Taylor, Tipton, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—35.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35

The motion failed, and the permission was refused.

Mr. Wood of Hardeman moved

To strike out the names of White and Sevier.

Mr. Welcker called for the previous question on the bill.

The House refused to sustain the call.

Mr. Tipton moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

Mr. Speaker Brown demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cook, Easterly, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Little, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Snodgrass, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Welcker, and Wilson of Carroll—31.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Carlock, Cavitt, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fort, Gallaway, Gilbert, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Myatt, Northcutt, Pope, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Temple, Travis, Ward, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, Mr. Speaker Brown—38.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	38

The motion failed.

Mr. Tipton moved

To lay the motion of Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, on the table.

Mr. Stovall demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Brazelton, Brien, Bullen, Campbell, Cavitt, Cook, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Meek, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—32.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—37.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	37

The motion failed.

Mr. Hatton moved

To adjourn till 2 o'clock this afternoon.

The motion failed.

Mr. Tipton moved

To adjourn till 1 o'clock this afternoon.

The motion failed.

Mr. Galbreath called for the previous question, on the motion of Mr. Wood of Hardeman.

Mr. Tipton demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Cloud, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Mathis, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope,

Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Travis, Ward, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—39.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Brazelton, Bullen, Campbell, Cavitt, Cobb, Cook, DeWitt, Dortch, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Massengill, Meek, Newman, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—30.

Ayes,	39
Noes,	30

The House sustained the call.

Mr. Tipton moved

To adjourn till 2½ o'clock, this afternoon.

The motion failed.

Mr. Pope moved

That the House adjourn till 2½ o'clock, this afternoon, and demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Cook, DeWitt, Fort, Gallaway, Hatton, Little, Looney, Mabry, Nixon, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Stovall, Welcker, and White--19.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Parks, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, White-side, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—48.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	48

The motion failed.

Upon the motion of Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, to strike out all names after the name of James K. Polk, Mr. Stovall demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes.—Messrs. Ball, Brien, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquett, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman—41.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Brazelton, Bullen, Campbell, Carmichael, Cook, Dortch, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Taylor Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—26.

Ayes,	41
Noes,	26

The motion failed

Mr. Speaker Brown moved

To strike out so much of the bill as provides for a bronze equestrian statue of Gen. Washington, and insert in lieu a marble statue.

The motion prevailed, and the amendment was adopted.

Mr. Newman called for the previous question on the bill.

The call was sustained by the House.

Upon the passage of the bill on third reading the vote was as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Brazelton, Brien, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Gal-
laway, Gilbert, Kimble, Looney, Mabry, Myatt, Northcutt, Pope,
Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Taylor, Temple, Travis, Whiteside, Wil-
son of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—31.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Brown of Madison, Bullen,
Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Cook, DeWitt, Dortch,
Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Mas-
sengill, Mathis, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Runnels,
Richey, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace,
Ward, Welcker, and Wilson of Carroll—37.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	31
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	37

The Bill was rejected.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2½ o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Newman moved

To postpone the special order, being Bill, No. 68, to amend the Free Banking Law,

Together with all other bills on same subject, until Tuesday next, February 5th, 1856.

The motion prevailed, and the order was made.

On motion of Mr. Richey,

Bill, No. 406, to amend an act passed January 19, 1848, entitled An act to amend an act passed 16th December, 1837, entitled An act to incorporate the Oak Grove Academy in the town of Cleveland, in the county of Bradley,

Was taken up.

Mr. Dortch obtained leave of the House to withdraw Bill, No. 434, to amend the 13th section of an act passed 1st March, 1854, in relation to the Somerville Model School.

He then offered said bill as an amendment to Bill, No. 406.

The amendment was adopted, and the bill passed third reading.

Mr. Nixon entered a motion

To reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 117, to provide for the erection of statues of Gen. Washington, Gen. Jackson, &c.

Mr. Meek entered a motion

To reconsider the vote striking out the names of White and Sevier from said bill.

Mr. Newman moved

To take up the motion of Mr. Nixon at once.

Mr. Stovall moved

To lay the motion of Mr. Newman on the table.

The motion prevailed, and Mr. Newman's motion was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Armstrong,

The House proceeded with the consideration of bills on third reading.

Bill, 159, to incorporate the Rosetta Mining and Smelting Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Burch offered an amendment, incorporating the Harrison and Hamilton Mining and Manufacturing Company.

The amendment was adopted, the caption of the bill changed to fit the amendment, and the bill passed third reading.

Bill, No. 161, to provide for the widow and children,

Was taken up.

Upon the passage of the bill on third reading, the vote was as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Cavitt, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Mathis, Myatt, Runnels, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Watkins, White, Whiteside, and Wood of Hardeman—33.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Brazelton, Brien, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Hatton, Little, Massengill, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Rudd, Tipton, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—33.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	33
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Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	33
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The bill was rejected.

Bill, No. 166, for the benefit of sheriffs,

Was taken up.

Mr. Ball moved

To amend by extending the benefits of the bill to services in summoning jurors in Criminal Courts.

The amendment was adopted.

Upon the passage of the bill, the vote was as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carmichael, Cloud, Cowden, Cox, DeWitt, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Parks, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—37.

Noes—Messrs. Brazelton, Brien, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Pogue, Runnels, Smith, Snodgrass, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—31.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	37
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31

The bill passed third reading.

Mr. Rudd entered a motion

To reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 161, to provide for the widow and children.

Bill, No. 167, to authorize the establishment of the Memphis Water Works Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Burch offered an amendment, incorporating the Chattanooga Water Works Company.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Taylor offered an amendment incorporating a Law School in the city of Memphis.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Donelson offered an amendment, incorporating the Sumner Manufacturing Company.

The amendment was adopted.

The title of the bill was changed to fit the various amendments, and the bill passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Myatt, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—45.

Noes—Messrs. Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquett, Cox, Fort, Galbreath, Gilbert,

Kimble, Kinney, Mathis, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, and Watkins—23.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	45
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23

Bill, No. 147, to amend the revenue law,
Was taken up.

Mr. Runnels moved

To amend, by providing that in the event the County Courts refuse to order the election of a Tax Collector, then the Sheriffs shall only have three per cent. commission for collecting and paying over the State and county revenue.

Mr. Tipton moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Cavitt moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

Mr. Galbreath moved

To lay Mr. Cavitt's motion on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Mathis moved

To amend, by fixing the first Saturday in March, in each and every year, for the election of the Tax Collector.

The amendment was adopted.

Upon the passage of the bill on third reading, the vote was as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Pogue, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Taylor, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, Watkins, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—41.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Burch, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cook, DeWitt, Easterly, Fort, Gilbert, Meek, Runnels, Richey, Snodgrass, Stovall, Temple, Tipton, Travis, Ward, Welcker, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—23.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	41
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23

The bill passed.

Bill, No. 175, to authorize Wm. H. Guy, and others, to build a turnpike road in Obion County,

Was taken up.

Mr. Stovall offered an amendment, prohibiting any person from erecting a bridge within three miles of the bridge mentioned in the bill.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Holmes offered an amendment, amendatory of the charter of the Memphis and Horn Lake Plank Road.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Runnels withdrew Bill, No. 410, for the benefit of the Wartrace and Beech Grove Turnpike Company, and offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill then passed third reading.

The following Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Steffey, their Clerk :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Senate has received from the Governor a Message, in writing, accompanied by the report of the Commissioner of Roads, which I am directed to transmit to the House of Representatives, immediately ; and I herewith transmit the same.

On motion of Mr. Dunnington,

The Calendar was suspended, in order to take up the message just received.

The Message of the Governor and accompanying Report of the Commissioner of Roads, was received. (Vide Appendix.)

On motion of Mr. Newman,

Two thousand copies were ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

Bill, No. 176, to authorize Justices to correct errors,

Was taken up.

Mr. Parks moved

To amend the proviso to the bill, so as to allow all errors to be corrected before the execution is returned satisfied.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Brazelton, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Fort, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—43.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Bullen, Campbell, Cavitt, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Snodgrass, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, White, and Wood of Hardeman—26.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	43
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	26

Mr. Stovall moved

To transmit all the bills, passed to-day on third reading, to the Senate without delay.

The motion prevailed, and the order was made.

Mr. White asked and obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 200, to amend the charter of the Knoxville and Charleston Railroad Company, for amendment.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 30, 1856.

The House pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Snodgrass, from the Committee on the Lunatic Asylum, reported on Bill, 242, to provide for Lunatics, to amend the divorce laws, and for other purposes;

With the recommendation of a majority of said committee, that all of the 5th section and all of the 6th section of said bill, after the word "otherwise," be stricken out, and thus, amended that the bill pass.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported Bills, Nos. 115, 146, 149, 132, 150, 166, 176, 175, 159, 147, and Resolution, No. 124, as correctly engrossed.

Mr. Cavitt returned Bill, No. 324, to establish a system of Patrols, heretofore withdrawn by him, without amendment.

Mr. Donelson introduced Bill, No. 511, to charter the Sumner Cashmere Company;

Which passed first reading.

Also, Bill, No. 512, to charter the Howard Female Institute, under the patronage of Howard Lodge, No. 13, I. O. O. F. Galatin, Sumner county, Tennessee;

Which passed its first reading.

Mr. Holmes moved

To take up the motion, heretofore entered, to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 131, guaranteeing the payment, by the State, of certain bonds issued and to be issued by the city of Memphis.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Cavitt moved

A call of the House.

Absent—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brien, Fielder, Gallaway, Gilbert, Hatton and Wood of Cannon—8.

On motion of Mr. Cavitt,

The Doorkeeper was dispatched for absentees.

Subsequently Messrs. Algee, Brien, Gilbert, and Hatton appeared and took their seats.

On motion of Mr. Bullen,

The motion to reconsider was suspended until the return of the Doorkeeper.

Mr. Cavitt moved

A reconsideration of the vote making Bill, No. 68, to amend the Free Banking Law, the special order for Tuesday, February 5th, 1856.

The House reconsidered the vote.

On motion of Mr. Davie,

The bill was then made the special order for to-morrow, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Mr. Parks obtained leave to withdraw Senate Bill, 29, to repeal the act of 1851, to authorize and regulate the business of Banking, for amendment.

Bill, No, 109, to define the duties of overseers, and for other purposes,

Was taken up.

Mr. Shemwell moved

To amend by striking out so much of the bill as allows the overseer one dollar per day for working the road.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Shemwell moved

To strike out the words "per day," in the 3d section.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Bullen moved

To strike out all after the 2d section in the bill.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To lay Mr. Bullen's motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table prevailed.

Mr. Bullen moved

To amend, by striking out so much of the bill as charges delinquent hands one dollar per day for failing to work the road, and inserting in lieu seventy-five cents.

Mr. Smith called for the previous question.

The call was sustained.

The bill then passed its third reading, by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dortch, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Runnels, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—36.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Bullen, Campbell, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Kinney, Little, Looney, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, and White--34.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-

The Doorkeeper having returned, and Messrs. Bobo, and Gallaway having appeared and taken their seats,

The House then resumed the consideration of the motion to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 131, guaranteeing the payment, by the State, of certain bonds issued and to be issued by the city of Memphis.

Mr. Parks called for the previous question.

Which was sustained.

Upon which motion to reconsider, Mr. Holmes demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Cobb, Cook, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Easterly, Fort, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Parks, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Wallace, Watkins, Welcker, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—36.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Kimble, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—35.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35

The motion to reconsider prevailed.

Upon the passage of the bill, Mr. Cavitt called for the previous question.

Upon which Mr. Dunnington demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brzaelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Ripton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—64.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Campbell, Cloud, and Cook—6.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	64
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	6

The House sustained the call.

Upon the passage of the bill, the vote was as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Cloud, Cook, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Easterly,

Fort, Gallaway, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Wallace, Watkins, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—38.

Noes—Messrs Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Kimble, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—34.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	38
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34

The bill passed second reading.

Mr. Looney, from the Committee on Federal Relations, reported on Resolution, No. 30, in relation to the Nebraska and Kansas bill, and recommended a resolution in lieu, Messrs. Newman and Gilbert dissenting.

Mr. Travis called for the previous question on Resolution, No. 30.

The House sustained the call.

Mr. Looney, on the part of a majority of the Committee on Federal Relations, obtained leave to withdraw the resolution recommended in lieu of Resolution, No. 30.

Upon the adoption of the Resolution, No. 30, Mr. Newman demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—38.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Campbell, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—33.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	38
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Looney, by leave of the House, introduced Resolution, No. 145, in relation to the Nebraska and Kansas bill, being the same recommended by the majority of the Committee on Federal Relations, and was as follows:

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That we acquiesce in, and will abide by, the legislation of Congress, commonly known as the Kansas and Nebraska Act, believing that

the preservation of the Union, and the peace and harmony of the country demand it at our hands, but in doing so we deem it proper to declare as the sense of this General Assembly, that Congress possesses no power under the Constitution to legislate on the subject of slavery in any way, but if it does it is inexpedient and dangerous to exercise it.

Resolved, That while we deny this power to Congress, and the policy of its exercise, we declare in equally unequivocal terms that the people of the Territories have, in like manner, no power to legislate upon the subject of slavery, either to prohibit its introduction or to provide for its admission, further than to protect it, like all other species of property, if found within their limits, but that upon the formation of a State constitution, and not until then, they have the power to admit or exclude this institution without any limitation or restriction.

Resolved, That we regard "Squatter Sovereignty," or in other words, that provision in the "Kansas-Nebraska Bill," under which the right is claimed for the Territorial Legislature to impose upon said Territories the odious and unjust principles of the "Wilmot Proviso" as a detestable heresy, and a species of radicalism not only inimical to the institutions of the South, but at war with the spirit of the government itself.

Resolved, That so much of the "Kansas and Nebraska Act," as permits foreigners, before they are naturalized, to enjoy in the Territories, the rights of citizens, either by the exercise of suffrage, or by the acquisition of a homestead upon the public domain, is unjust to our native born population, unwise as a matter of policy, and in violation of the Constitution of the United States; against that part of said act we enter our solemn protest.

The resolution, under the rule, was laid over one day.

Mr. Meek called up Resolution, No. 144, appointing a committee to visit the Deaf and Dumb Asylum at Knoxville.

On motion of Mr. Armstrong,

"Three" was stricken out, and "five" inserted as the number of said committee on the part of the House of Representatives.

The resolution was then rejected.

The House then proceeded with the consideration of bills on third reading.

Bill, No. 182, to amend the act passed 15th of February, 1854, to amend the charter of the Cornersville and Lewisburg Turnpike Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Cox offered an amendment incorporating the Paradise Hill and Clarksville Turnpike Company.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill passed third reading.

Bill, No. 183, to amend the charter of the city of Nashville,

Was taken up.

Mr. Burch offered an amendment amendatory of the charter of the city of Chattanooga.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Massengill offered an amendment incorporating the town of Bristol.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Donelson offered an amendment incorporating the Sumner Cashmere Company.

The amendment was adopted, the caption of the bill was so changed as to fit the various amendments, and the bill passed third reading:

Bill, No. 186½, to charter the Knoxville, Sevierville and Paint Rock Railroad Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Stovall moved

To adjourn till 2½ o'clock, this afternoon.

The motion failed.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Newman obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 207,

To protect barnyards, stockyards, &c., for amendment.

Mr. Myatt obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 232,

To charter the White Plains and Montgomery Turnpike Company, for amendment.

Mr. Cox obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 468,

To amend an act passed 31st of January, 1848, entitled An act to reduce the several acts incorporating the town of Nashville into one, and amend the same, for amendment.

Mr. Donelson obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 511,

To charter the Sumner Cashmere Company.

On motion of Mr. Tompkins,

Senate Bill, No. 70, to incorporate the Murfreesboro Building and Loan Association,

Was taken up, and passed first reading.

On motion of Mr. Tipton,

Senate Bill, No. 115, to give the Johnson and Carter Turnpike

Company further time to complete said road, and erect a toll-gate,
Was taken up, and passed first reading.

On motion of Mr. Wood, of Hardeman,

Senate Bill, No. 149, to extend to the Chattanooga, Harrison, Georgetown, and Charleston Railroad Company further time in which to enable them to obtain State aid, and for other purposes,

Was taken up, and passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Wilson, of Marshall,

Senate Bill, No. 160, to authorize the construction of a railroad from the town of Shelbyville to the line of the State of Alabama, *via* Lewisburg, in the county of Marshall, and Pulaski, in the county of Giles,

Was taken up and passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

On motion of Mr. Whiteside,

Senate Bill, No. 116, to consolidate the offices of Surveyor and Entry Taxer in Hickman county,

Was taken up and passed first reading.

On motion of Mr. Colquet,

Senate Bill, No. 65, to amend an act passed March 2, 1852, chapter 262, entitled An act to amend the charter of the Stone's River and Statesville Turnpike Company,

Was taken up, and passed first reading.

On motion of Mr. Davie,

Bill, No. 388, to amend an act called An act better to secure the rights of tobacco planters,

Was taken up, and passed second reading.

The House then resumed the consideration of the unfinished business of the morning, being

Bill, No. 186½ to charter the Knoxville, Sevierville, and Paint Rock Railroad Company.

Upon the passage of the bill on third reading, the vote was as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cloud, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Easterly, Fort, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Wallace, Ward, Welcker and White—35.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Cavitt, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dortch, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Holmes, Kimble, Little, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Tompkins, Travis, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—33.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33

The bill passed third reading.

Mr. Armstrong moved the immediate transmission of the bill to the Senate.

Upon which motion Mr. Cavitt demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquett, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Easterly, Galbreath, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Wallace, Welcker, White, White-side, Wilson of Carroll, and Wilson of Marshall—47.

Noes—Messrs. Brown of Madison, Cavitt, Donelson, Gallaway, Gilbert, Kimble, Mathis, Newman, Northcutt, Pogue, Smith, Stovall, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—17.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	47
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17

The motion prevailed, and the bill was ordered to be transmitted.

Bill, No. 189, compelling free persons of color to remove to Liberia.

Was taken up

Mr. Galbreath offered an amendment, allowing slaves to dissent from any will by which they are emancipated.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Donelson moved

A reconsideration of the vote adopting the amendment.

The House reconsidered the vote.

Mr. Galbreath then withdrew his amendment.

Mr. Mabry moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

Upon which motion Mr. Travis demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, DeWitt, Easterly, Galbreath, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Runnels, Richey, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Stovall, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, and Wood of Hardeman—37.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cook, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Hatton, Little, Mathis, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Smith, Thomas, Travis, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—29.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	37
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29

The motion prevailed.

Bill, No. 191, to incorporate the Cumberland Manufacturing Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Dortch obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 422,

To incorporate the Somerville Cotton Factory, and Manufacturing and Flouring Mills,

And offered it as an amendment;

And also an amendment incorporating the Chickasaw Golden Leaf Tobacco Factory.

Mr. Cox obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 263,

To incorporate the Tennessee Literary Society,

And offered it as an amendment;

Also obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 257,

To incorporate the Phoenix Mining and Manufacturing Company,

And offered it as an amendment.

Mr. Newman offered an amendment to the last amendment of Mr. Cox, incorporating the Anderson Mining and Manufacturing Company.

The amendments were successively adopted, the caption of the bill changed to fit the various amendments, and the bill passed third reading.

Bill, No. 192, to "prevent frauds in the formation of new counties, passed third reading by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brien, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Fort, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Little, Mabry, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Harde-man, and Mr. Speaker Brown—51.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Brazelton, Bullen, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Easterly, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, and Wallace—11.

Ayes, - - - - - 51

Noes, - - - - - 11.

Bill, No. 194, to amend the 22d section of an act entitled

An act to incorporate the Mechanics' Library Association of Fayetteville, and to reduce the several acts, incorporating the town of Jackson into one, and to amend the same,

Passed third reading.

Bill, No. 202, to establish the county of Cheatham,

Was taken up.

Mr. Mathis moved

To strike out of the 17th section, "February," and insert "May" in lieu; and also to strike out "first Monday of March," as the time for holding the first term of the County Court, and insert the "first Monday in June" in lieu.

The motion prevailed.

He also moved

To amend, by providing that the county seat of said county should be on the West side of Cumberland River, at or near the mouth of Harpeth.

The amendment was,

On motion of Mr. Stovall,

Laid on the table.

Upon the passage of the bill, the vote was as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman and Mr. Speaker Brown—57.

Noes—Messrs. Cavitt, Gilbert, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Stovall, Travis, and Whiteside—8.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	57
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8

The bill passed third reading, and,

On motion of Mr. Davie,

Was ordered to be transmitted at once to the Senate.

Bill, No. 200, to amend the charter of the Knoxville and Charleston Railroad Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. White moved

To amend, by permitting said company to erect a passway for carriages, horses, stock, &c., in connection with their bridge at Knoxville, and charge toll for passing thereon.

Mr. Snodgrass offered an amendment, amendatory of the charter of the South-Western Railroad Company.

Mr. Gilbert offered an amendment, providing that, in all suits between railroad companies and other persons, stockholders in such companies may be competent witnesses.

The various amendments were adopted, the title of the bill changed to fit the amendments, and the bill then passed third reading.

Bill, No. 203, to amend the law in relation to turnpike roads and proceedings against them, and for other purposes,

Passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Fort, Holmes, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Parks, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Temple, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—29.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Brazelton, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, DeWitt, Donelson, Easterly, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Kimble, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Tipton, Whiteside, and Wilson of Carroll—28.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28

On motion of Mr. Shemwell,

All bills which have passed third reading, were ordered to be transmitted at once to the Senate.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

Mr. SPEAKER :

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts as follows, and the same have been deposited with the Secretary of State :

To amend the several acts passed for the establishment and organization of Union county.

To amend the act to authorize and regulate county subscriptions for railroad stock, passed January 22, 1852.

To amend the internal improvement acts of 1852-4.

To incorporate the Ritchie Printing and Publishing Company in the city of Nashville, and for other purposes.

The Senate has passed, on third and last reading, House Bills No. 413, to incorporate the Chattanooga Packing and Milling Company.

No. 393, to change the time of holding the Circuit Courts in the counties of Meigs and Polk, in the third judicial circuit in the State of Tennessee.

And the Senate has adopted House Resolution, investing the Committee on the Penitentiary with certain powers, and directory to the same ;

And the same are herewith transmitted for enrollment.

The Senate has rejected House Bill, No. 249, to incorporate the Mineral Railroad of East Tennessee, and for other purposes, and has refused to reconsider the vote so rejecting said bill.

The Senate has also rejected House Bill, No. 347, entitled

A bill for the improvement of Emery's River ;

And the same is herewith returned.

The Senate has passed, on third reading, House Bill, No. 981, entitled

A bill for the benefit of the Tennessee Western and Charleston Railroad Company ;

And the same is herewith transmitted for enrollment.

I also herewith transmit a Memorial (No. 27,) from citizens of Lewis county, asking for a change of the line between Maury and Lewis counties.

The Senate has passed, on third reading, Senate Bills, as follows :

No. 24, to prevent circuitry of action, to enable courts of law to do justice, and to save costs to parties litigant.

No. 147, for the benefit of the citizens of Columbia, and for other purposes.

No. 157, for the benefit of Kinsloe and Brother.

No. 158, for the benefit of slaves who acquired a right to freedom before the 24th of February, 1854.

No. 190, to amend the act of 1804, chapter 7, giving to Justices of the Peace authority to issue writs of *certiorari* and *supercedias*.

No. 160, to authorize the construction of a railroad from the town of Shelbyville to the Alabama line *via* Lewisburg, in Marshall county, and Pulaski in Giles county.

No. 181, to amend the charter of the Central Southern Railroad Company.

No. 189, to charter the Duck River Valley Railroad Company.

And the Senate has adopted resolution, No. 58, adverse to any change of the Constitution of the United States.

And the same are herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 7 o'clock, to-night.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

To proceed with bills on second reading.

The motion prevailed.

Bill, No. 357, to amend the act of 1839, chapter 26, section 3,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 346, to amend the laws in regard to Constables,

Was taken up.

Mr. Tipton moved the indefinite postponement of the bill.

The motion prevailed.

Bill, No. 365, for the better and more permanent establishment of the Memphis City Schools,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 367, to amend an act entitled An act to change the manner of keeping up the Public Roads in this State, passed January 25, 1852, chapter 48,

Passed second reading.

Mr. Mathis entered a motion to reconsider the vote indefinitely postponing Bill, No. 346,

Bill, No. 370, to charter the Gayoso Savings Institution,
Was taken up.

The report of the Committee on Incorporations, recommending that the words, "and shall go to the Common School Fund," in the third section of the bill, be stricken out, was concurred in, and the bill passed second reading.

Bill, No. 371, for the benefit of Joseph S. Milligan, of the county of Monroe,

Was rejected.

Bill, No. 374, to amend the School Law.

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 375, to amend the act of 1831, chapter 86,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 378, to appropriate money to build a bridge across the Holston River, wherever the Blountsville, Middletown, and Elizabethton Turnpike Road crosses said river,

Was taken up.

Mr. Gleaves offered an amendment, appropriating five thousand dollars to build a bridge across Stone's River, on the Stone's River and Statesville Turnpike Road.

Mr. Galbreath offered an amendment, appropriating five hundred dollars, to build a bridge across Flynn's Creek, on the Grandville, and Flynn's Lick Turnpike Road.

Mr. Brazelton offered an amendment, appropriating ten thousand dollars to clear out the obstructions in Doe River, or White Oak, in Hardin county.

Mr. Cook offered an amendment, appropriating five hundred dollars per mile to the Chapel Hill and Fayetteville Turnpike Road, to aid in completing said road.

Mr. Massengill called the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill then passed second reading.

Bill, No. 379, to regulate the time for giving in taxes on slaves and other property,

Was withdrawn by Mr. Shemwell, by leave of the House.

Bill, No. 381, to enable the citizens of Johnson county to construct a road across the Doe and Holston Mountains,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 382, to amend the charter of the City of Memphis,

Was taken up.

Mr. Stovall moved

To amend by striking out so much of the bill as relates to the licensing of Tippling Houses.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill then passed second reading.

Bill, No. 383½, to amend the law relative to the sale of lands by virtue of executions issued by Justices of the Peace,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 386, to prevent the running of engines and cars on Sundays on the various railroads in this State,

Was taken up.

Upon the passage of the bill, Mr. Wallace demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Bartlett, Campbell, Carlock, Davie, Dortch, Hattton, Holmes, Kinney, Meek, Parks, Runnels, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Wallace, White, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—18.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, DeWitt, Donelson, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Gleaves, Harris, Kimble, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Rudd, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Stovall, Temple, Tompkins, Travis, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—42.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	18
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Noes,	-	-	-	-	42
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The bill was rejected.

Bill, No. 389, to incorporate the Citico Mining Company, and for other purposes,

Was taken up.

The report of the Committee on Incorporations, recommending that the words "only on the books of the Company" be added at the close of the 2d section of the bill,

Was concurred in.

Mr. Rudd moved

To amend by adding George White, Benjamin Earnest, Dr. W. Wombrough and John Tippie, to the corporators.

The amendment was adopted, and the bill passed second reading.

Bill, No. 391, to amend the Internal Improvement acts, and preserve the credit of the State,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 392, to transfer the State Stock in the East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad to the Knoxville and Kentucky Railroad Company,

Was taken up.

Pending which, Mr. Cavitt moved

To adjourn till to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

The motion failed.

Mr. White obtained leave to withdraw the bill for amendment.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY MORNING, JANUARY 31, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Richey presented a petition from sundry citizens of Bradley county, praying for the enactment of a law declaring it a felony to steal white females under the age of fifteen years, with the intent of marrying them without the consent of their parents or guardians.

And also introduced Bill, No. 513, to prevent the abduction of females under fifteen years of age ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Snodgrass, from the Committee on the Lunatic Asylum, reported on Bill, No. 313, for the benefit of the wives and widows of the soldiers of the Mexican war,

And recommended its passage.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported Bill, No. 167, as correctly engrossed, and on Bills. Nos. 98, 393, 413, and Resolution, No. 139, as correctly enrolled.

Mr. Brien, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported on Bill, No. 97, to secure to married women the right and use of their own property,

And recommended its rejection.

Mr. Cavitt introduced Resolution, No. 146, directory to the Secretary of State.

The resolution laid over under the rule.

Mr. Kimble introduced Bill, No. 514, to amend the act passed the 4th day of February, 1852, to change the line between Hardin and Decatur counties, and for other purposes ;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Bullen introduced Bill, No. 515, for the benefit of David R. Johnson, late Sheriff and Tax Collector of the county of Greene ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Hatton introduced Resolution, No. 147, providing for a convention of the two Houses on the 2d February, 1856, for the purpose of electing a Geologist, &c., for the State.

On motion of Mr. Hatton,

The rule was suspended and the resolution adopted.

On motion of Mr. Cavitt,

The resolution was ordered to be transmitted to the Senate without delay.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, moved

That the Principal Clerk be authorized to employ an additional Clerk to assist him in the discharge of his duties and to facilitate public business.

On which motion, Mr. Snodgrass demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of

Madison, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Myatt, Newman, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Taylor, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—49.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Brien, Bullen, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Harris, Little, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Snodgrass, Tipton, Wallace, Whiteside, and Wilson of Carroll—20.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	49
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Parks returned Senate Bill, No. 29, to repeal the act of 1852, to authorize and regulate the business of banking, without amendment.

Mr. Tipton returned Bill, No. 354, to charter the Elizabethton and Owensville Turnpike Company, with a bill in lieu.

Mr. Brien called up the motion heretofore entered to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 161, to provide for the widow and children.

The motion to reconsider prevailed.

Mr. Parks moved

To amend by striking out one thousand and inserting five thousand dollars as the amount of property to be exempt from control of administrators in the hands of the widow.

Mr. Harris called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill then passed third reading, by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Watkins, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—48.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Carmichael, Cloud, Cook, Dortch, Hatton, Little, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, and Wilson of Marshall—22.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	48
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22

Mr. Cook called up the motion entered to reconsider the vote indefinitely postponing Bill, No. 346, to amend the laws in regard to constables.

The House refused to reconsider.

Mr. Galbreath called up Resolution, No. 142, instructing our Senators, and requesting our Representatives, to procure an appropriation to improve the navigation of Cumberland River.

Mr. Harris called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

Upon the adoption of the Resolution, Mr. Cowden demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Cobb, Galbreath, Meek, Pope, Richey, Snodgrass, Ward, and White—9.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Easterly, Fielder, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—56.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	56

The Resolution was rejected.

Mr. Brien obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 8, to amend the act of 1854, ch. 320, sec. 7;

And also, Bill, No. 10, to amend the Criminal Laws in relation to costs.

Mr. Rudd obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 424, for the benefit of the widow of the late Abel R. Chaney, &c.

On motion of Mr. Newman,

The special order, being Bill, No. 68, to amend the Free Banking Law,

Was suspended temporarily;

And Bill, No. 366, to amend an act passed March 1, 1854, incorporating the Tazewell Female Academy,

Was taken up and passed second reading, having been amended in accordance with the recommendation of the Committee on Education and Common Schools.

The House then proceeded to the consideration of Bill, No. 68, to amend the Free Banking Law.

Mr. Davie moved

A non-concurrence in the report of the Committee on Banks, recommending the striking out of the first section of the bill, and the inserting in lieu a section providing, that before the Comptroller shall sign the issues of any bank, one hundred thousand dollars in State Bonds shall be deposited in his office to the credit of said bank.

Mr. Nixon offered an amendment, authorizing the Comptroller to construct a vault in his office, in which to keep all the State Bonds and Free Bank notes deposited with him, and requiring him to

keep a well bound book in which to enter the number and amount of all bills issued under the Free Banking Law of this State, which may be filed with him for final settlement.

Mr. Thomas offered an amendment, providing that the aggregate amount of the issues of the Free Banks in this State shall at no time exceed five millions of dollars.

Pending which,

The following Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Senate has passed, on third and last reading, House bills as follows :

No. 286, explanatory of the proviso to the 16th section of the Internal Improvement laws of this State, passed 11th February, 1852.

No. 300, to authorize the Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company to sell their bonds at, above, or below par ; and extending to the Chattanooga and Central Kentucky Railroad Company further time to commence their road, and for other purposes.

No. 322, to amend the act entitled An act to incorporate the Porter Fire Arms Company, passed 20th February, 1854.

And the same are herewith transmitted for enrollment.

The Senate has also passed, on third reading, Senate Bill, No. 108, entitled A bill to provide permanent burial grounds for the dead in each and every civil district in the State.

And the same is herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives.

I herewith transmit the report of the Joint Select Committee appointed to investigate the affairs of the State Penitentiary.

Pending further discussion on Bill, No. 68, to amend the Free Banking Law,

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Gleaves,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. DeWitt until Wednesday next, February 6, 1856, on account of very urgent business at home, and sickness in his family.

Mr. Gilbert entered a motion

To reconsider the vote authorizing the Principal Clerk to appoint a deputy.

Mr. Ward entered a motion

To reconsider the vote indefinitely postponing

Bill, No. 189, compelling free persons of color to remove to Liberia.

The House then proceeded to consider Bill, No. 68, to amend the Free Banking Law, and the various amendments thereto.

Upon Mr. Davie's motion to non-concur in the recommendation of the Committee on Banks, that first section of the bill be stricken out, and another section adopted in lieu, the ayes and noes were demanded by Mr. Davie, and were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Gilbert, Harris, Hatton, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Temple, Tompkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—48.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carlock, Galbreath, Gleaves, Holmes, Runnels, Snodgrass, Tipton, Wallace, Welcker, White, and Wilson of Marshall—17.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	48
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17

The motion to non-concur prevailed.

Mr. Davie moved

A concurrence in the other amendments recommended by the Committee on Banks.

The motion prevailed, and the amendments were adopted.

The amendment, offered by Mr. Nixon, was adopted.

Mr. Brien moved

To amend, by striking out all but the enacting clause and the amendment of Mr. Nixon.

Mr. Looney moved

To lay Mr. Brien's motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table prevailed.

Mr. Cowden called for the previous question.

Upon which, Mr. Bullen demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Campbell, Cook, Cowden, Davie, Dunnington, Fielder, Harris, Hatton, Kinney, Looney, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Temple, Tipton, Wallace, White, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—31.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cox, Donelson, Dortch, Easterly, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Holmes, Little, Mabry, Mathis, Parks, Runnels, Richey, Shemwell, Stovall, Tompkins, Travis, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—33.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	31
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	33

The House refused to sustain the call.

The amendment of Mr. Thomas was, on motion of Mr. Nixon, laid on the table.

Mr. Bullen offered an amendment, prohibiting all persons banking under the Free Banking Law of this State, from discounting or shaving notes at a greater discount than other banks, under penalty of forfeiting their privileges of banking and being deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and fined from fifty to five hundred dollars.

Mr. Cavitt offered an amendment, declaring it a misdemeanor in any person banking under the Free Banking Law, to fail to redeem the issues made by him, and to be punished accordingly.

Mr. Brazelton offered an amendment, providing that when any bank in this State shall break, by reason of any mismanagement or rascality, the directors, together with all parties concerned in the villainous transaction, should be transported to Liberia, and extending State aid to defray the expense of their transportation.

Mr. Hatton offered the following amendment:

Be it enacted, That each and every person, so subscribing stock as provided for in the first section of this act, upon their payment to the Commissioners of the amounts respectively subscribed by them, shall be required by said commissioners, before receipting them for said money so paid in, to make and subscribe before some Judge of a court of record, or Justice of the Peace, an oath, to be filed in the office of the Secretary of State, stating that the money so paid in by them is their own bona fide capital, and that it has not been obtained by them, by loan or otherwise, with any purpose or expectation, on their part, of paying off or discharging their indebtedness, incurred in procuring the money paid in to the commissioners as aforesaid, with the notes to be issued to them upon the bonds purchased with the money so deposited by them, or with notes or other means, of any character whatsoever, to be received in exchange for their notes as issued as aforesaid.

Mr. Cavitt withdrew his amendment, by leave of the House.

Upon the adoption of Mr. Bullen's amendment, Mr. Mathis demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington,

Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—64.

Noes—Mr. Brien—1.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	64
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, offered a bill in lieu of the bill and amendments repealing the Free Banking Law;

Which was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Bullen.

Mr. Tipton moved

To lay Mr. Hatton's amendment on the table.

The motion failed.

He then moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill and amendments.

The motion failed.

Mr. Mathis offered an amendment, providing that when any Free Bank now in operation desires to increase its circulation, it shall deposit with the Comptroller an additional amount, equal to twenty-five per cent., upon the amount now required by law.

Mr. Shemwell offered an amendment, compelling all Free Banks to redeem their notes at their counters.

Mr. Harris called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—49.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Galbreath, Mathis, Myatt, Runnels, Snodgrass, Wallace, and Wilson of Carroll—16.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	49
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	16

On motion of Mr. Davie,

The bill was ordered to be transmitted, at once, to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Looney,

Senate Bill, No. 130, for the benefit of the Tennessee Hospital for the Insane,

Was taken up and passed second reading, and made the special order for Tuesday next, February 5, 1856.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 1, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Cavitt introduced Resolution, No. 148, calling for a Convention of the people to alter the Constitution of the State.

The resolution, under the rule, was laid over one day.

Mr. Davie introduced Resolution, No. 149, addressed to our Senators and Representatives in Congress, in regard to the imposts on tobacco in foreign countries.

On motion of Mr. Davie,

The rule was suspended.

The resolution was adopted, and ordered to be transmitted to the Senate without delay.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, introduced Bill, No. 516, for the relief of James R. Taylor;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Bullen introduced Bill, No. 517, to define the duties of the Judges of the various courts in the State;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Myatt introduced Bill, No. 518, for the promotion of the cause of Temperance, and for other purposes, in the county of Scott;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Myatt presented a Petition from sundry citizens of Morgan county, praying for an appropriation to build a bridge across Obed's River in said county.

And also, introduced Bill, No. 519, for building a bridge across Obed's River, in Morgan county;

Which passed first reading.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported on Bills, Nos. 68, 155, 194, 200, 203, and Resolution, No. 30, as correctly engrossed; and on Bills, Nos. 286, 300, and 322, as correctly enrolled.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, from the Committee on Internal Improvements, reported as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom House Bill, No. 509, to create a Sinking Fund to liquidate the State bonds granted to Internal Improvements, was referred, have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with the following amendments, to wit :

Amend by adding to section 2, these words "and that said bank may, on the request of any such Railroad Company, invest the Sinking Fund, belonging to said Company, in bonds of the State of Tennessee, or in bonds issued by any county in Tennessee, and invest or re-invest said funds or interest thereon, in the same manner.

Amend the 3d section by striking out all after the words "costs" in fifth line of said section down to the proviso of said section, and insert in lieu thereof, "twenty thousand dollars, or less, in addition to the regular charges, the further sum of one cent on each passenger, as bridge toll; and it shall be the duty of each and every company to collect the said sum, at the same time the regular passage money is collected; that on all bridges costing over twenty thousand and less than thirty thousand dollars, the sum of two cents shall be taxed and collected as above stated; that on all bridges costing over thirty thousand and less than fifty thousand dollars, the sum of three cents shall be taxed and collected as above stated; that on all bridges costing over fifty thousand and less than eighty thousand dollars, the sum of four cents shall be taxed and collected as aforesaid; and that on all bridges costing over eighty thousand dollars, the sum of five cents shall be taxed and collected as aforesaid.

And with these amendments the committee recommended the passage of the bill.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

HERVEY BROWN,
Chairman.

Bill, No. 317, to authorize the County Court of Decatur county to lay off an additional civil district in said county,

Was withdrawn for amendment, by Mr. Wallace.

On motion of Mr. Tipton,

Senate Bill, No. 115, to give the Johnson and Carter Turnpike Company further time to complete said road and erect a toll-gate,

Was taken up, and passed second reading.

Mr. Hatton called up the motion, heretofore entered, to reconsider the vote adopting the resolutions in regard to the Naval Board and its actions in regard to Lieutenant Mathew F. Murray.

Mr. Myatt, by leave of the House, withdrew the motion to reconsider.

Mr. Gilbert called up the motion entered by him on yesterday, to reconsider the vote authorizing the Principal Clerk to appoint an additional assistant.

The House reconsidered the vote.

The motion was then again submitted to the House, and Mr. Snodgrass demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Burch, Campbell, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Easterly, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Newman, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—43.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Brien, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Snodgrass, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, and Wood of Hardeman—28.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	43
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28

The motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Donelson,

Bill, No. 56, to repeal the Tippling Law, and the Senate amendment thereto, providing that the law should take effect from and after its passage,

Was taken up.

Mr. Travis offered an amendment to the Senate amendment, authorizing the different incorporated towns in this State, as a part of their corporate privileges, to adopt such laws and ordinances as they deem proper, to regulate and restrain the sale of vinous and spirituous liquors, not inconsistent with the constitution of this State.

Mr. Stovall moved

To lay the bill and amendments on the table.

Mr. Bullen demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Campbell, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Colburn, Dunnington, Easterly, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Whiteside, and Wood of Hardeman—28

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cobb, Colquet, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Galbreath, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Looney, Little, Meek, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—42.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	42

The motion failed.

Mr. Pope offered an amendment, providing that the bill shall not restrict the sale of ardent spirits to any particular quantity.

Mr. Temple offered an amendment, licensing the retail of ardent spirits by the small under certain restrictions.

Mr. Cowden called for the previous question.

The House refused to sustain the call.

The Speaker ruled the amendments of Mr. Pope and Mr. Temple out of order.

Mr. Travis obtained leave to withdraw his amendment.

Mr. Donelson moved

A concurrence in Senate's amendment to the bill.

Mr. Bullen demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Carlock, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Little, Looney, Meek, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—44.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Cavitt, Cloud, Colburn, Dunnington, Easterly Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Pope, Richey Shemwell, Stovall, Travis, White-side, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—29,

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	44
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29

The House concurred in the Senate's amendment.

On motion of Mr. Temple,

Bill, No. 504, to regulate the traffic in ardent spirits, and for other purposes,

Was made the special order for to-night, at 7 o'clock.

Mr. Rudd, by leave of the House, introduced Bill, No. 520,

For the relief of Larkin Cardin ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. Nixon,

Senate Bill, No. 149, to extend to the Chattannoga, Harrison, Georgetown, and Charleston Railroad Company further time in which to enable them to obtain State aid, and for other purposes,

Was taken up, and passed third reading, by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble,

Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—59.

Noes—Messrs. Cavitt, Galbreath, Gilbert, Mathis, Newman, Smith, Stovall, Travis, and Wood of Cannon—9.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	59
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	9

On motion of Mr. Easterly,
Senate Bill, No. 126, to amend an act to authorize the extension of the Memphis and Charleston Railroad, and for other purposes, passed February, 23, 1854,

Was taken up, and passed first reading.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Parks,

The House proceeded to the consideration of Senate messages not acted on.

Senate Bill, No. 3, to regulate the rate of interest,

Passed first reading.

Senate Resolution, No. 58, adverse to a change of the Constitution of the United States,

Was taken up.

Mr. Newman moved

To lay the resolution on the table.

Mr. Meek demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—32.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek,

Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—33.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33

The motion failed.

Mr. Meek demanded the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

Upon the adoption of the resolution Mr. Meek demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Homes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—36.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—34

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	36
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	34

The resolution was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Harris,

The Clerk was ordered to inform the Senate at once of the action of the House on the resolution.

Mr. Gleaves, by leave of the House, introduced Bill, No. 521,
To establish the Jackson Medical College in the City of Nashville;
Which passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 162, to charter the Flat Creek Female Academy in Bedford county, and for other purposes,

Was taken up.

Mr. Bobo offered an amendment, incorporating Greenwood Female Academy;

Which was adopted.

The bill then passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 24, to prevent circuitry of action, to enable courts of law to do justice, and to save costs to parties litigant,

Passed first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Senate Bill, No. 67, to amend the criminal laws of this State,

Passed first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Senate Bill, No. 68, to amend the criminal laws of this State, and for other purposes,

Passed first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Senate Resolution, No. 61, providing for the adjournment of this General Assembly *sine die*,

Was taken up.

Mr. Rudd moved

To lay the resolution on the table.

Mr. Parks demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Burch, Colburn, Cook Cowden, Cox, Davie, Cortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Welcker, White, and Whiteside—37.

Noes—Messrs. Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Donelson, Fielder Gilbert, Harris, Little, Looney, Mathis, Newman, Parks, Smith, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown--32.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	37
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32

The motion prevailed.

Senate Bill, No. 72, to provide an annual sum for the support and maintenance of the Deaf and Dumb Asylum at Knoxville,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 85, to relinquish the State interest in the Forked Deer River Turnpike Road to Wm. D. Scales, and the other private stockholders in said road,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 100, to provide a remedy in favor of private individuals against the State of Tennessee,

Passed first reading and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Senate Bill, No. 102, to amend the act of 1815, chapter 20, in relation to garnishments,

Passed first reading.

On motion of Mr. Dortch,

The regular order was suspended, and

Bill, No. 205, to amend an act entitled An act to establish a State Agricultural Bureau, &c., and for other purposes,

Was taken up.

Mr. Tipton offered an amendment, appropriating the tax of one and a half cents on the hundred dollars of taxable property in the State, heretofore applied to the Lunatic Asylum, to purchase fair grounds in the different sections of the State.

Mr. Harris moved

To strike out so much of the bill as loans the credit of the State to the purchase of fair grounds.

Mr. Newman called the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

Upon the passage of the bill on third reading, the vote was as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Cook, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Newman, Northcutt, Runnels, Rudd, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—40.

Noes—Messrs. Brien, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Fielder, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Tipton, Travis, Whiteside, and Wood of Cannon—30.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	40
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	30

The bill passed.

Mr. Newman moved

To transmit the bill at once to the Senate.

The motion failed.

The House then proceeded with Senate messages not acted on.

Senate Bill, No. 105, to economize the contingent expenses of the General Assembly of Tennessee,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 106, to amend the charter of the Knoxville and Kentucky Railroad Company,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 108, to provide permanent burial grounds for the dead in each civil district in the State,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 109, to incorporate the Ripley and Ashport Plank Road Company,

Passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Senate Bill, No. 113, to increase the powers of Circuit and County Court Clerks,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 117, to amend the several acts chartering a turnpike road from Tazewell to Knoxville,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 120, to incorporate the town of Cookeville in the county of Putnam,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 123, to establish a Chancery Court at Taylorsville in the county of Johnson,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 124, to change the county line between the counties of Lewis and Maury,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 128, to protect widows and orphans,

Passed first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Senate Bill, No. 131, to amend the criminal laws of this State in relation to slaves, -

Passed first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Senate Bill, No. 133½, to apportion one-half the Academy fund of Overton county to the Academy in the 11th Civil District.

Passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Education and Common Schools.

Senate Bill, No. 140, to regulate the distribution of the estates of intestates,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 146, to amend the act passed 11th February, 1852, entitled An act to establish a system of Internal Improvements in this State,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 147, for the benefit of the citizens of Columbia, and for other purposes,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 148, to incorporate the Fulton Plank Road Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To strike out the name of W. W. Lee from among the Commissioners named in the bill.

The motion prevailed.

The bill then passed first reading.

Mr. Nixon, by leave of the House, introduced Resolution, No. 150, as follows :

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That, although the amendments to the Federal Constitution, recommended by Governor Johnson in his recent message to this General Assembly, have been endorsed and advocated by other statesmen of eminent ability and great devotion to the Union and Constitution ; yet, in view of the fact that our country is agitated with sectional differences, and, in view of the fact that we have a party in our midst holding to principles, in the opinion of this General Assembly, at war with the spirit of that noble instrument, and the freedom of the elective franchise, we deem it inexpedient for Congress or the several States to take any action at this time, to amend the Constitution of the United States.

The resolution, under the rule, laid over one day.

Senate Bill, No. 152, to amend the charter of the Gallatin Turnpike Company,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 157, for the benefit of Kinsloe and Brother,

Passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Senate Bill, No. 155, to change the name of Mossy Creek Mis-

sionary Baptist Seminary in Jefferson county, to the name of Mos-
sy Creek Baptist College,

Passed first reading.

Mr. Meek, by leave of the House, introduced Bill, No. 522,

To punish the fraudulent issue and transfer of certificates of
stock in corporations ;

Which passed first reading.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 7 o'clock, to-night.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, by leave of the House, introduced Bill,
No. 523,

To provide for the printing of the revised statutes for the use of
the General Assembly ;

Which passed first reading.

The House then proceeded to the consideration of the special
order, being Bill, No. 504,

To regulate the traffic in ardent'spirits, and for other purposes.

Mr. Runnels offered a bill in lieu, giving to incorporated towns in
this State the power to regulate the traffic in ardent spirits within
their corporate limits.

Mr. Myatt offered a bill in lieu, repealing all laws on the subject
of intoxicating liquors, and placing certain restraints around traffic
in the same.

Mr. Harris called the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

Upon the adoption of Mr. Runnels' bill in lieu, Mr. Mathis de-
manded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien,
Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cook, Davie,
Dortch, Gleaves, Holmes, Little, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Runnels,
Snodgrass, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward,
Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, and Mr.
Speaker Brown—32.

Noes—Messrs. Bullen, Cavitt, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden,
Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Galla-
way, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, New-

man, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—31.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31

The bill in lieu was adopted by the House.

Mr. Snodgrass called the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

Mr. Stovall demanded the ayes and noes on the passage of the bill, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cook, Davie, Dortch, Fielder, Gleaves, Holmes, Little, Meek, Parks, Runnels, Snodgrass, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—31.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Cavitt, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Stovall, Temple, Travis, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—32.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	31
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	32

The bill was rejected.

The House then proceeded with Senate messages not acted on.

Senate Bill, No. 158, for the benefit of slaves who acquired a right to freedom before the 24th of February, 1854,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 159, to amend the law concerning corporations,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 165, to legalize the official acts of certain Justices of the Peace,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 166, to incorporate Manchester College, in Coffee county,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 167, to regulate the Attorneys General in certain cases,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 169, to authorize Justices of Peace to take bonds and recognizances for the appearance of defendants in State prosecutions before themselves,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 170, to amend the act of 1801, chap. 7, giving two Justices of the Peace authority to issue writs of certiorari and supercedeas,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 174, to change the time of holding the Circuit Court at Manchester, Coffee county,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 176, to extend further time to C. F. Welcker, W. S. Center, and A. Adkisson, to construct a turnpike road,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 177, to confer certain powers on the Surveyors of the respective counties in this State,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 179, to incorporate Rockford Manufacturing Company,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 181, to amend the charter of the Central Southern Railroad Company,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 182, for the benefit of the Commissioners of the East Tennessee Fair, in lieu of House Resolution, No. 54,

Was taken up, adopted in lieu by the House, and passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 189, to charter the Duck River Valley Railroad Company,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 194, for the benefit of James Mitchell,

Passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. Dunnigton,

The consideration of the Senate's Messages was suspended.

On motion of Mr. Speaker Brown, (Mr. Dortch in the chair,)

Senate Bill, No. 183, for the benefit of the tax payers of Davidson county,

Was taken up.

Mr. Speaker Brown offered an amendment, exempting county and corporation bonds, issued to Railroad Companies, from taxation in like manner as State bonds are exempt.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill then passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Brien,

Bill, No. 448, for the relief of the different counties of the State,

Was taken up and passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Pogue,

Senate Bill, No. 104, to charter the Tennessee Marble Mining and Manufacturing Company,

Was taken up and passed second reading.

Mr. Carlock, by leave of the House, introduced Bill, No. 524, to prevent the selling, loaning, or giving deadly weapons to minors ;

Which passed first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

On motion of Mr. Brown, of Madison,

Bill, No. 509, to create a Sinking Fund to liquidate State Bonds granted to Internal Improvements,

Was made the special order for Monday the 4th inst., at 10 o'clock.

On motion,

The House adjourned till to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

SATURDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 2, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Holmes, from the Committee on the State Capitol, reported on Bill, 315, for the benefit of F. W. Strickland, late assistant architect of the State Capitol,

And requested to be discharged from its further consideration.

The Committee were discharged, as requested.

Mr. Brien, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Judiciary Committee have had under consideration sundry bills and a mèmorial referred to them, upon all which I am directed to report.

Bill, No. 241, to change the practice in the Chancery Courts.

Bill, No. 499, to appoint an Attorney General for the different counties in this State, and for other purposes.

Bill, No. 502, to require the Attorney General of the State to report annually as to cost, and for other purposes.

Bill, No. 503, a bill to establish a 15th Judicial Circuit.

Bill, No. 500, a bill to be entitled An act to do justice to accommodation endorsers.

That each be rejected.

That Petition and Memorial, No. —, to change the duties and liabilities of guardians.

Without agreeing upon any change in the law, the Committee beg to be discharged from further consideration of the same. To all which the Committee respectfully ask the concurrence of the House.

M. M. BRIEN, Chairman.

Mr. Cavitt, from the Committee on Incorporations, reported on Bill, 316, to incorporate the agents of the Publishing House of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in the city of Nashville,

With the recommendation of the committee, that the bill be amended by striking out the preamble, and all after the word "South," in the fifth line of section second, and the whole of section third; and thus amended, a majority of the Committee recommend that the bill pass.

On Bill, No. 446, to incorporate the Dickeson Marble and Zinc Mining and Manufacturing Company, of Knox county, Tennessee, And recommend that the second section of the bill, heretofore recommended to be stricken out, be retained, and otherwise, they adhere to their former recommendation.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported on Bills, Nos. 45, 153, 406, as correctly engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Newman,

The House took a recess of five minutes, preparatory to meeting the Senate in Convention for the purpose of going into an election of State Geologist and Assayer, &c.

At the expiration of the recess, the House was called to order, and the Speaker and members of the Senate were received within the bar of the House.

In Convention.

The Convention was called to order by the Speaker of the Senate.

Nominations being declared, by the President of the Convention, to be in order,

Mr. Hatton nominated James M. Safford, of the county of Wilson.

There being no other nomination, the Convention proceeded to ballot *viva voce*, with the following result:

For Mr. Safford:

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—47.

Senators,	-	-	-	-	-	-	24
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Representatives,	-	-	-	-	-	-	47
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For Mr. Edward McMillan:

Messrs. Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gilbert, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Smith, Travis, Whiteside, and Wilson of Marshall—11.

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Representatives,	-	-	-	-	-	-	11
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Total							11
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James M. Safford, of the county of Wilson, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was, by the President of the Convention, declared duly and constitutionally elected State Geologist, Assayer, &c., for two years from the expiration of the present term.

The business for which the Convention assembled, having been discharged, the Senators retired to their Chamber.

The Speaker called the House to order.

Mr. Myatt entered a motion to reconsider the vote rejecting Resolution, No. 142, instructing our Senators, and requesting our Representatives, to procure an appropriation to improve the Navigation of Cumberland River.

Mr. Gleaves obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 521, to establish the Jackson Medical College, in the city of Nashville.

Messrs. Galbreath and Wilson, of Marshall obtained leave to enter their votes in opposition to Senate Resolution, No. 58, adverse to a change of the Federal Constitution—

They having been absent yesterday when the vote was taken on said resolution.

Mr. Harris called up Resolution, No. 150, in relation to changes of the Federal Constitution.

Mr. Harris called the previous question,

And demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Travis, Wallace, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—43.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Meek, Pope, Runnels, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Mr. Speaker Brown—23.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	43
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23

The House sustained the call.

Upon the adoption of the Resolution, Mr. Galbreath demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Colquet, Colburn, Cox, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Tipton, Travis, Wallace, Ward, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—50.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Campbell, Carmichael, Davie, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Meek, Pogue, Runnels, Taylor,

Taylor, Thomas, Tompkins, Welcker, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—17.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	50
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	17

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Galbreath entered a motion to reconsider the vote just taken

Mr. Stovall moved

To lay the motion to reconsider on the table.

The motion to lay on the table prevailed.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To reconsider the vote, laying the motion to reconsider on the table.

Mr. Cavitt's motion prevailed.

Mr. Stovall withdrew his motion to lay on the table.

Mr. Kimble called for the previous question, on the motion to reconsider.

The House sustained the call.

The House refused to reconsider.

Mr. Tipton introduced Resolution, No. 151, as follows :

Resolved, by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That we heartily endorse the doctrine advocated by his Excellency, Andrew Johnson, Governor of Tennessee, in relation to the proposed amendments of the Constitution of the United States ; also, his doctrine of White Basis System, as advocated by him in the last canvass for Governor of this State, and formerly introduced into the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee by his Excellency, Andrew Johnson, while a member of a former session of the General Assembly of this State.

On motion of Mr. Tipton,

The rule was suspended requiring resolutions to lay over one day.

Mr. Tipton called the previous question.

The House refused to sustain the call.

Mr. Newman moved

To lay the resolution on the table.

Mr. Tipton demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Stovall, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—38.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—28.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	38
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Fielder introduced Resolution, No. 152, as follows :

Whereas, The members of this Legislature were elected to transact the business immediately connected with the affairs of the State of Tennessee, and not that of the Congress of the United States ; therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, That hereafter all questions of a national character be laid upon the table until the business immediately concerning the State shall have been attended to.

The resolution was laid over one day under the rule.

On motion of Mr. Parks,

The House proceeded to the consideration of Senate messages not acted on.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

To take up Senate Bill, No. 120, to incorporate the town of Cookeville, in the county of Putnam.

The motion failed.

Bill, No. 144, to change the name of the Tazewell Academy,

Was taken up, and the Senate's amendments thereto, incorporating the Alexandria Masonic Female Institute, and changing the title of the bill to fit the amendment, was concurred in.

Bill, No. 395, for the relief of R. T. Daniel, of the county of Stewart,

Was taken up, and Senate amendment thereto, for the benefit of C. H. Morrison, Jailor of Montgomery county, was concurred in by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Cloud, Cobb, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—51.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Carmichael, Colquet, Galbreath, and Newman—5.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	51
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5

Mr. Wallace returned Bill, No. 317, to authorize the County Court of Decatur county to lay off an additional civil district in said county, with an amendment.

Mr. Gleaves moved

To adjourn till Monday morning, 9 o'clock.

Mr. Harris demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Brazelton, Brien, Cavitt, Cloud, Cowlen, Davie, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Pogue, Pope, Taylor, Welcker, and Whiteside—15.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Cox, Dortch, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Parks, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—45.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	45

The motion failed.

William A. Glenn, appointed Assistant Clerk, as authorized by a vote of the House on yesterday, appeared and took the oath of office, administered by E. A. Raworth, Recorder of the city of Nashville.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts, as follows, and the same have been deposited with Secretary of State :

An act to incorporate the Chattanooga Packing and Milling Company.

An act for the benefit of the Tennessee Western and Charleston Railroad Company.

An act to change the time of holding the Circuit Courts in the counties of Meigs and Polk, in the Third Judicial Circuit in the State of Tennessee.

And Enrolled Resolution investing the Committee on the Penitentiary with certain powers, and directory to the same.

An act explanatory of the proviso to the 16th section of the Internal Improvement law of this State, passed 11th February, 1852.

An act to authorize the Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company to sell their bonds at, above, or below par, extending to the Chattanooga and Central Kentucky Railroad Company, further time to commence their road, and for other purposes.

An act to amend an act entitled An act to incorporate the Porter Fire Arms Company, passed February 20, 1854.

The Senate has adopted House Resolution, No. 147, providing for the election of Geologist on to-morrow, (February 2,) passed

The Senate has passed, with amendments, House Bills, as follows, on third and last reading, and the same are herewith transmitted for the concurrence of the House of Representatives :

No. 144, to change the name of Tazewell Academy,

And No. 395, for the relief of R. T. Daniel, of the county of Stewart.

Senate Bill, No. 127, to authorize certain counties to take stock in railroads, and to issue the bonds of said counties for the same, Passed first reading.

Petition of the Mayor and Aldermen of Columbia, praying for the extension of the corporate powers of said town,

Was read.

Bill, No. 237, requiring railroad companies to drain the cuts on the sides of railroads in this State,

Was taken up.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, moved

A non-concurrence in the Senate's amendment limiting the provisions of the bill to the Western Division of the State.

The motion prevailed, and the Senate's amendment was non-concurred in.

Bill, No. 82, to amend the act of 1817, chapter 54, sections 1 and 2, and the act of 1823, chapter 21, section 1, and the act of 1835, chapter 17, section 4, regulating motions against constables and their securities, and to prescribe fees of officers in certain cases,

Was taken up, and the Senate's amendment, declaring it a misdemeanor in any sheriff, coroner, or constable, to fail to pay over money collected, after ten days' notice, and upon conviction, removing them from office for the same, was non-concurred in by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Carlock, Cavitt, Davie, Dortch, Fort, Gilbert, Holmes, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Smith, Stovall, Taylor, Thomas, Travis, Ward, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—26.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carmichael, Cloud, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Easterly, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Richey, Snodgrass, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—29

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29

On motion of Mr. Davie,
Leave of absence was granted to the members of the Committee on Banks, to enable them to attend to important business before aid committee.

On motion of Mr. Snodgrass,
House bills on second reading were taken up.
Bill, No. 397, to amend an act to charter the Sevier Turnpike Road, and to grant State aid thereto,

Was taken up.
Mr. Mathis moved
To strike out so much of the bill as grants State aid to said company.

The motion prevailed, and the bill, thus amended, passed second reading.

Bill, No. 399, to establish a Criminal and Commercial Court at Cageville, Haywood county,

Was rejected.

Bill, No. 398, to authorize certain counties to take stock in railroads, and to issue bonds for the same,

Was withdrawn by Mr. Campbell, by leave of the House.

Bill, No. 313, for the benefit of the wives and widows of the soldiers of the Mexican war,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 314, to regulate the rate of interest on specific contracts,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 355, to amend an act entitled

An act to incorporate the Mechanics' Library Association of the town of Fayetteville, and for other purposes, passed March 2, 1854,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 360, for the benefit of executors, administrators, and other persons,

Was taken up, and the recommendation of the Judiciary Committee was concurred in, and the bill was rejected.

Mr. Cavitt moved:

To dispense with a calendar for Monday next.

The motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Tipton,

Senate Bill, No. 115, to give the Johnson and Carter Turnpike Company further time to complete said road and erect a toll-gate,

Was taken up and passed third reading.

On motion of Mr. Galbreath,

Senate Bill, No. 120, to incorporate the town of Cookeville, in the county of Putnam,

Was taken up.

Mr. Galbreath offered an amendment, incorporating the town of Flynn's Lick, in Jackson county.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill then passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Fielder, Senate Bill, No. 159, to amend the law concerning corporations,

Was taken up and passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Cobb,

Bill, No. 291, to authorize James Parks and Company to build a bridge across Ocoee River, at or near Parksville, in the county of Polk,

Was taken up and passed third reading.

On motion of Mr. Fielder,

Bill, No. 419, for the benefit of Connell and Ferguson, and Isaac Sampson,

Was taken up and passed second reading.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 9 o'clock, Monday morning.

MONDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 4, 1856.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Speaker Brown presented the following communication from the Secretary of the Mechanics' Institute :

NASHVILLE, Feb. 2, 1856.

TO HON. NEILL S. BROWN, Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir: I beg leave to tender to you, and through you, to each member of the honorable body over which you preside, a copy of the "Report of the First Annual Exhibition of the Mechanics' Institute of Tennessee," held in Nashville in the month of October last. Although this was the first exhibition under the auspices of the Institute, and was almost impromptu, you will observe that the list of articles exhibited embrace a great variety, many of them ranking high in their respective classes, and all reflecting credit upon the skill and good taste of the contributors. As the result of individual effort, without aid from the Treasury of the State, it may be taken as a promise of much more striking results when

the Institute shall receive aid and co-operation from the citizens of the State, commensurate with its importance in developing her resources.

Respectfully,

JOHN F. MORGAN,
Secretary of Mechanics' Institute.

The thanks of the House were returned for the reports of the Institute.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported on Bills, Nos. 63, 161, 192, as correctly engrossed; and on Bill, No. 56, as correctly enrolled.

On motion of Mr. Stovall, the House proceeded with bills on third reading.

Bill, No. 283, to incorporate the Synod of Nashville, Mount Olivet Cemetery, and for other purposes,

Was taken up.

Mr. Watkins obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 340, to incorporate the New Pulaski Cemetery, and offered it as an amendment to the bill.

Mr. Snodgrass offered an amendment, incorporating the Christian Church of the city of Nashville.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To strike out the words "Justices of the Peace or," where they occur in the charter of the Mount Olivet Cemetery.

Mr. Cavitt's motion prevailed.

Mr. Cox moved

To lay Mr. Snodgrass's amendment on the table.

Mr. Snodgrass demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Brazelton, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cowden, Cox, Donelson, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Richey, Rudd, Stovall, Temple, Travis, Wallace, Watkins, and Welcker—29.

Noes—Messrs. Bartlett, Bobo, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carlock, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Davie, Dortch, Fort, Holmes, Kinney, Mabry, Parks, Pogue, Snodgrass, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—31.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	29
Noes,	-	:	-	-	-	31

The motion failed.

Mr. Newman moved

To strike out the words "of the original faith," as they occur in the amendment of Mr. Snodgrass.

Mr. Snodgrass demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Bartlett, Bobo, Bullen, Campbell, Cavitt, Cobb, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Donelson, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Massengill, Newman, Nixon, Richey, Stovall, Temple, Travis, Watkins, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—28.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Carmichael, Davie, Dortch, Fort, Holmes, Mabry, Mathis, Myatt, Northcutt, Pogue, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—28.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28

The motion failed.

Mr. Cox offered an amendment to the amendment of Mr. Snodgrass, providing that nothing in said act contained should be construed to give one party of said church any advantage over the other, as touching present difficulties in said church, in regard to the church property.

Mr. Cavitt offered an amendment, extending the same rights to any other party in said church as to the "original faith" party.

Both amendments to the amendment of Mr. Snodgrass were adopted, and the amendment, as amended, was adopted.

Mr. Watkins's amendment was adopted.

Mr. Donelson obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 512,

To charter the Howard Female Institute, at Gallatin, and offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

Mr. Donelson's amendment was adopted.

Mr. Holmes offered an amendment amendatory of the charter of the Independent Fire Company, No. 1, of the City of Memphis.

Mr. Holmes's amendment was adopted, the title of the bill was changed to fit the various amendments, and the bill passed third reading.

Mr. Cavitt moved

A reconsideration of the vote passing the bill on third reading.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To strike out so much of the bill as makes certain acts a felony.

The motion prevailed.

The bill then passed third reading, and was ordered to be transmitted at once to the Senate.

Bill, No. 206, to incorporate the Hibernia Mining Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Carlock obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 389,

To incorporate the Citico Mining Company, and for other purposes, and offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

He also obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 445,

To incorporate the Caledonia Iron Company, and for other purposes, and offered it as an amendment also.

Mr. Armstrong obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 446,

To incorporate the Dickeson Marble and Zinc, Mining and Manufacturing Company of Tennessee in Knox county, and offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

Mr. Meek offered an amendment, incorporating the Glen Alpine Mining and Agricultural Company of Sevier county, Tennessee.

Mr. Armstrong offered an amendment, incorporating the East Tennessee Saltpetre Mining and Manufacturing Company.

Mr. Snodgrass offered an amendment, incorporating the White County Saltpetre Mining and Manufacturing Company.

The various amendments were successively adopted, the caption of the bill changed to fit them, and the bill passed third reading, and was ordered to be transmitted at once to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Newman,

The special order was postponed till 3 o'clock, this afternoon.

Bill, No. 207, to protect barn-yards, stock-yards, &c.,

Was taken up.

The bill in lieu, offered by Mr. Newman, was adopted.

Mr. Cavitt offered an amendment exempting the owners of the premises from the penalties of the bill;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Parks moved:

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

The motion failed.

Upon the passage of the bill, the vote was as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Carlock, Cavitt, Cobb, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Gilbert, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Richey, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins Travis, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—39.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Colquet, Galbreath, Kinney, Mathis, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Wallace, Ward, and Wood of Cannon—22.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	39
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	22

The bill passed third reading.

Bill, No. 208, to incorporate the Collierville Female College,

Was taken up.

Mr. Tompkins offered an amendment, incorporating the Trustees of the Philosophian Institute, of the county of Cannon.

Mr. Easterly offered an amendment, incorporating the Sequatchee Valley Academy, of Marion county.

Mr. Wallace offered an amendment, incorporating the Trustees of the Winchester Male and Female Academy.

The various amendments were adopted, the caption of the bill changed to fit them, and the bill passed third reading.

Bill, No. 209, to make certain acts a misdemeanor,

Passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Colburn, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Easterly, Fielder, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Richey, Stovall, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—36.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carmichael, Colquet, Cowden, Galbreath, Harris, Mathis, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Ward, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—19.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19

Bill, No. 212, to authorize the election of an additional Justice of the Peace in the town of Maryville,

Was taken up.

Mr. Massengill offered an amendment, authorizing the election of three Justices of the Peace by the qualified voters of the 2d civil district, including the town of Bristol, in Sullivan county.

Mr. Newman obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 409, to elect a Justice of the Peace at Altonia, Franklin county,

And offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

Mr. Carlock obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 343, to authorize the election of a Justice of the Peace in the town of Calhoun, in McMinn county,

And offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

Mr. Meek offered an amendment, changing the corporate limits of the town of Maryville, in Blount county.

Mr. Cox offered an amendment, authorizing the qualified voters in the fractions of the 2d and 9th civil districts of Davidson county, included within the city of Nashville, to elect a constable.

The various amendments were adopted, and the title of the bill changed to fit them.

Mr. Mathis offered an amendment, providing that all the incorporated towns in the State might avail themselves of the provisions of the bill ;

Which was rejected.

Mr. Parks offered an amendment, giving to the town constable of the town of Trenton, the same power and jurisdiction as possessed by the constables of Gibson county ;

Which was, on motion of Mr. Galbreath, laid on the table.

The bill, as amended, then passed third reading, and was ordered to be transmitted at once to the Senate.

Mr. Fielder obtained leave to withdraw for amendment, Senate Bill, No. 85, to relinquish the State's interest in the Forked Deer

Mr. Mathis moved

To reconsider the vote of rejection.

The House reconsidered the vote, and also the vote sustaining the previous question.

Mr. Mathis moved

To amend the 1st section, by inserting "exceeding fifty cents."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Parks moved

To amend by providing that in all cases the prosecutor shall be bound for the costs.

Mr. Stovall moved

To lay the amendment of Mr. Parks on the table.

The motion prevailed.

The bill then passed its third reading, by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Brazelton, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Fort, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Richey, Stovall, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—40.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Cobb, Colquet, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Kimble, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tipton, Wallace, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—22.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22

Bill, No. 215, to amend sec. 1, ch. 1, of the act of 1804,

Was taken up.

Mr. Holmes offered an amendment, regulating the toll to be charged at grist mills for grinding and chopping grain ;

Which was read out of order by the chair.

The bill then passed third reading, by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—59.

Noes—Messrs. Dunnington and Snodgrass—2

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	59
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2

Bill, No. 220, to amend the law to suppress betting on elections,
Passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Fielder, Fort, Gleaves, Holmes, Kimble, Mabry, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Taylor, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—31.

Noes—Messrs. Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Little, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Stovall, Tipton, Travis, and Watkins—30.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Brien, on account of sickness in his family.

Mr. Harris called for the special order.

Mr. Meek moved

To suspend the special order.

The motion failed.

The special order, being Bill, No. 509, to create a sinking fund to liquidate the State bonds granted to internal improvements,

Was taken up.

Mr. Holmes moved

That the House resolve itself into Committee of the Whole, on the subject of the special order.

The motion failed.

On motion of Mr. Harris,

The House considered the bill, section by section.

Mr. Burch offered a section, in lieu of the first section of the bill, providing that all railroad companies in this State shall pay two per cent. on the amount of bonds endorsed or loaned to said companies by the State, from and after five years from the time they receive State aid, or may have heretofore received State aid.

The section was adopted, in lieu of the first section.

Mr. Newman moved

To postpone the special order until Wednesday next, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

The motion prevailed.

Bill, No. 204, to amend the act passed December 16, 1839, entitled

An act to provide for the probate and registration of deeds and other instruments executed beyond the limits of the United States, and for other purposes,

Passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Col-

burn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—61.

Noes—Messrs. Brown of Madison, Bullen, and Wallace—3.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	61
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3

Bill, No. 221, granting appeals in certain cases,

Passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Harris, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—44.

Noes—Messrs. Brown of Madison, Burch, Campbell, Cavitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Mathis, Parks, Pogue, Snodgrass, Temple, Tipton, Wallace, Ward, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—20.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	44
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20

Bill, No. 227, to amend the act of 1853-4, chap. 181,

Was taken up.

Mr. Meek offered an amendment, changing the dividing line between the counties of Jefferson and Knox ;

Which was adopted.

The bill, as amended, passed third reading.

Bill, No. 234, to incorporate the Building Company of the city of Memphis,

Was taken up.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, offered an amendment, incorporating the Jackson Savings Institution.

Mr. Donelson obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 405, to incorporate the New Orleans and Ohio Telegraph Lessees, and offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

Mr. Taylor offered an amendment, incorporating the Dramatic Association of the city of Memphis.

Mr. Hatton offered an amendment, incorporating the Mathew Hill Academy, in the 18th district of Wilson county.

Mr. Gleaves offered an amendment, incorporating the Lebanon Building and Loan Association.

Mr. Temple offered an amendment, incorporating the Home Insurance Company of Middle Tennessee.

The various amendments were adopted, the caption of the bill changed to fit them, and the bill passed third reading.

The following Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts, viz :

An act to consolidate the offices of Surveyor and Entry Taker in Hickman county.

An act to incorporate the Murfreesboro Gas Works.

And the same are herewith transmitted for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has passed on third and last reading, Senate bills as follows :

No. 57, to establish the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit.

No. 144, for the benefit of Huntsville Academy, in Scott county.

No. 190, to change the line between the counties of White and Putnam.

No. 191, to change the line between the counties of Campbell and Scott.

No. 196, to provide for paying Magistrates for their services at the quarterly courts.

No. 198, to amend the charter of the Nashville and Cincinnati Railroad Company, and the acts amendatory thereto.

And the same are herewith transmitted for the consideration of the House of Representatives.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 7 o'clock, to-night.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House pursuant to adjournment.

Bill, No. 235, to authorize James Hagan, of the county of Davidson, to build a mill-dam across Stone's River,

Was taken up.

Mr. Gleaves moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

The motion prevailed.

Bill, No. 238, requiring the sale of lands or slaves to be advertised in a newspaper,

Was taken up.

Mr. Tipton offered an amendment, leaving the provisions of the bill at the option of the defendant in the execution ; and also changing the title of the bill to A bill to oppress debtors, and benefit the publishers, of newspapers.

Mr. Harris called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill was rejected by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cook, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Little, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—25.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Bullen, Campbell, Carmichael, Colquet, Easterly, Fielder, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Snodgrass, Tipton, Travis, Wallace, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—30.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	25
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	30

Bill, No. 240, to repeal an act passed 28th February, 1852, chapter 116, entitled An act to protect the homestead,

Was rejected by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Cavitt, Colquet, Easterly, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Massengill, Mathis, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Tipton, Wallace and Welcker—17.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Gilbert, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Mabry, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—38.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	38

Bill, No. 246, to incorporate the Fountain Fire Company, No. 1, of the city of Knoxville,

Was taken up.

Mr. Armstrong offered an amendment, incorporating the Niagara Fire Company, No. 1, of the city of Knoxville.

Mr. Cox offered an amendment, authorizing the Nashville Fire Company, No. 1, to enlarge their engine house, in the rear of the Bank of Tennessee.

Mr. Cavitt moved.

To lay the amendment of Mr. Cox on the table.

The motion failed.

Mr. Parks moved

To amend the amendment of Mr. Cox, by providing that the said building shall be fire proof;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To amend the amendment of Mr. Cox, by providing that said Fire Company should surrender the ground to the State when called for by the Legislature;

Which was accepted.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, moved

To postpone the bill, and have a committee appointed to report, whether the Legislature should grant the privilege of said company.

Mr. Hatton moved

To lay the motion of Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Upon the adoption of the amendment of Mr. Cox, as amended, Mr. Mathis demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Easterly, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pope, Rudd, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—38.

Noes—Messrs. Brown of Madison, Bullen, Cavitt, Colquet, Donelson, Fielder, Gilbert, Kimble, Massengill, Mathis, Northcutt, Pogue, Snodgrass, Tipton, and Wilson of Marshall—15.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	38
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Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15
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The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Armstrong's amendment was adopted, the caption of the bill was changed to fit them, and the bill passed third reading.

Bill, No. 248, to authorize grand jurors to send for witnesses in certain cases,

Was taken up.

Mr. Bullen moved

To strike out all of the bill, except such as refers to interruption of public worship.

Mr. Parks called the previous question;

Which call was sustained by the House.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Cook, Cox, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Gleaves,

Hatton, Holmes, Little, Meek, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—33.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Brazelton, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Colquet, Davie, Easterly, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Pope, Snodgrass, and Tipton—21.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21

Mr. Fielder moved

A reconsideration of the vote passing the bill.

Mr. Cavitt called for the previous question on the motion to reconsider,

The House sustained the call.

Upon the motion to reconsider, Mr. Newman demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes.—Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Davie, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Snodgrass, and Tipton—19.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Cook, Cox, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—33.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33

The House refused to reconsider.

Mr. Parks moved

That all the bills passed on third reading this evening, be transmitted to the Senate without delay.

The motion prevailed, and the bills were ordered to be transmitted.

Mr. Cavitt moved

That the House adjourn till to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

Mr. Tipton demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Cook, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Meek, Nixon, Pogue, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—41.

Noes—Messrs. Bullen, Carmichael, Cobb, Gilbert, Harris, Mathis, Newman, Parks, Snodgrass, and Wilson of Carroll—10.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	41
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10

The motion prevailed, and the House adjourned, it being half after 9 o'clock.

TUESDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 5, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Nixon, from the Committee on Claims, reported Bill, No. 515, for the benefit of David R. Johnson, late Sheriff and Tax Collector of the county of Greene,

And recommend its passage with an amendment.

Mr. Northcutt, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported on Bill, No. 4, to establish Military Duty,

And recommended the passage of the bill in lieu, offered by Mr. Wilson of Marshall.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported on Bills, Nos. 182, 205, 207, 209, 213, 215, 220, 221, 287, 291, as correctly engrossed.

Mr. Snodgrass, from the Committee on the Lunatic Asylum, reported as follows:

The Committee on the Lunatic Asylum have had the report of the Commissioners of said Institution under consideration, and a majority of said Committee recommend the passage of a bill continuing a tax of one and a half cents on the hundred dollar's worth of property throughout the State, for the years 1856-7, for the purpose of completing the building of said Institution, and for the purpose of buying lands adjoining the land of said Institution.— They further recommend that four non-paying patients be admitted into said Institution from each Senatorial district in the State, and that the State appropriate fifteen thousand dollars, annually, for the support of the Institution, or one hundred and fifty dollars for each pauper patient.

The minority, of said Committee, beg leave to say, that they are disposed to be liberal in making provisions for the unfortunate class of the community, for whose benefit the Institution was established; but they feel it to be their duty also, to guard against an extravagant waste of the people's money; and believing that already too much money has been expended in the erection of said buildings, they cannot consent for a further tax to be imposed on their constituents for said Institution, as it takes more money

to support each patient since they have removed to the new Asylum, than when they were kept in the old one. They do not think the further purchase of land advisable, if the land they have already bought does not diminish the annual expense of the State for the support of the inmates. Let us see how this matter is. The State has had fifty patients in the Asylum for years—supported by an appropriation of six thousand dollars, annually, two years ago; that was increased to eight thousand dollars without increase of patients; so you see, in place of the farm diminishing the expenses, they have been increased one-fourth. The argument was, in 1847, when the law was passed authorizing the erection of the new Asylum, that if you would buy a farm in the country, and build an Asylum, that the inmates could very near support themselves. You have tried the experiment, and we now see the result. The law creating the new Asylum provided that a greater sum than forty thousand dollars should not be expended in the purchase of the farm and the erection of the buildings. Notwithstanding that provision in the act of 1847, the Commissioners report to the Legislature of 1849, that they had the contracts out for the entire work, at ninety-three thousand and nine hundred dollars. That Legislature passed an act extending the appropriation up to seventy-five thousand dollars, with a provision, that if the Commissioners should contract for the building completed, with the rooms heated and all complete, to cost more than seventy-five thousand dollars, they should be individually responsible for the overplus. The Legislature of 1851 was called upon, and extended the tax of one and a half cents on the hundred dollars' worth of property, for one year, and appropriated the proceeds, say some twenty-five thousand dollars, to the finishing and furnishing said Institution. The Legislature of 1853, extended the tax two years, which brought into the Treasury sixty-three thousand dollars, the most of which has been expended, and still, notwithstanding about one hundred and sixty five thousand dollars have been appropriated to complete an Institution that was not to cost more than forty thousand, this Legislature is called upon to appropriate sixty thousand dollars more; and, notwithstanding we have bought the farm, the State is called upon to pay one hundred and fifty dollars for each patient, when they were kept in the old Asylum, without the farm, for one hundred and twenty dollars each. For these reasons, the Committee feel constrained to oppose the appropriation asked for in the bill, recommended by the majority of our Committee, to the extent asked for. We are unwilling, further, to impose a tax on our constituents, to purchase more land, when the land we have already bought, or something else, has increased the annual expense for keeping State patients. We are of the opinion, that with the use of the farm, one hundred dollars would be a liberal appropriation for each State patient. The report shows that the proceeds of the farm have been worth from three to four thous-

and dollars per annum, which is mostly raised by the labor of the inmates.

For these reasons, we cannot vote for an appropriation above that specified above.

THOMAS SNODGRASS,
W. J. MATHIS,
H. M. COLQUET,
R. J. C. GALBREATH.

Mr. Galbreath called up the motion heretofore entered to reconsider the vote rejecting Resolution, No. 142, instructing our Senators, and requesting our Representatives, to procure an appropriation to improve the navigation of Cumberland River.

The House reconsidered the vote, and Mr. Galbreath obtained leave to withdraw the Resolution for amendment.

Mr. Newman entered a motion to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 238, requiring the sale of lands and slaves advertised in a newspaper.

Mr. Bullen moved

To take up the motion at once.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Harris called for the previous question;

Which was sustained by the House.

Upon the motion to reconsider, Mr. Northcutt demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Gilbert, Gleaves, Hatton, Kimble, Little, Mabry, Newman, Nixon, Pogue, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, Watkins, White, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—34.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway Harris, Holmes, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Tipton, Wallace, Wilson of Carroll, and Wood of Cannon—32.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	34
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	32

The House reconsidered the vote of rejection.

Mr. Bullen moved

To amend, by leaving it at the discretion of the defendant to have his property advertised or not.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, moved

To amend, by providing that the property shall exceed five hundred dollars in value.

The amendments were ruled out of order, as the bill, on last night, passed after the previous question had been sustained.

The bill then passed its third reading by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Little, Newman, Pogue, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, Watkins, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—34.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Bullen, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Tipton, Wallace, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Wood of Cannon—33.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33

Mr. Tipton moved

To postpone the special order, being Senate Bill, No. 130, for the benefit of the Tennessee Hospital for the Insane, until Friday next, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

The motion failed.

Mr. Bullen called up the motion heretofore entered to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 95, to amend the criminal laws of this State.

The House refused to reconsider the vote of rejection.

The special order, being Senate Bill, No. 130, was taken up.

Mr. Tipton called for the previous question ; which call the House refused to sustain.

Pending discussion on the special order,

The following Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk :

MR. SPEAKER :—

The Senate has rejected House Bill, No. 166, for the benefit of Sheriffs,

And has indefinitely postponed House Bill, No. 176, to authorize Justices to correct errors ;

And the same are herewith returned.

The Senate has passed on third and last reading, House Bill, No. 93, for the relief of the heirs of Samuel Saffel, deceased, after amending the same ;

And it is herewith transmitted for the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Meek moved

To suspend the special order.

The motion failed.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, offered an amendment, providing that not exceeding \$40,000 shall be used in completing the building, and also providing that if the twenty thousand dollars is not used in purchasing the land mentioned in the bill, then it shall remain in the Treasury.

Mr. Snodgrass offered an amendment in lieu of the amendment of Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, providing that the bill should be amended by striking out one year's tax, striking out sixty thousand dollars and inserting thirty thousand dollars, striking out fifteen thousand dollars and inserting ten thousand dollars, wherever they occur in the bill.

Mr. Gleaves moved

To lay the amendment of Mr. Snodgrass on the table.

Upon which motion Mr. Snodgrass demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Burch, Cook, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fort, Gilbert, Gleaves, Holmes, Kinney, Mabry, Newman, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—35.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Kimble, Little, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Tipton, Watkins, and Wilson of Carroll—30.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	35
Noes,	.	-	-	-	-	-	30

The motion prevailed.

The amendment of Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, was adopted, and the bill passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Gilbert, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Myatt, Newman, Pogue, Pope, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—44.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Bullen, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquett, Easterly, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Little, Massengill, Mathis,

Meek, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Tipton, Wilson of Carroll, and Wood of Cannon—25.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	44
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25

Mr. Stovall moved

That the bill be transmitted at once to the Senate.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Gleaves moved

To take up Senate Bill, No. 57, to establish Fifteenth Judicial Circuit.

The motion failed.

On motion of Mr. Harris,

The House proceeded to the consideration of bills on third reading.

Bill, No. 54, to charter the Bank of America,

Was taken up.

Mr. Carmichael offered an amendment chartering the Bank of Frankland.

Mr. Cavitt offered an amendment to strike out "America" wherever it may occur, and insert in lieu "Know Nothing," which he subsequently withdrew.

Mr. Carmichael's amendment was rejected.

Mr. Taylor called the previous question ; which was sustained by the House.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Burch, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Dunnington, Fort, Gallaway, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Myatt, Pogue, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Mr. Speaker Brown—34.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullock, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Mathis, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—33.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33

Mr. Fielder returned Senate Bill, No. 159, to amend the law concerning corporations, heretofore withdrawn by him, with an amendment.

Also Senate Bill, No. 85, to relinquish the State interest in the Forked Deer Turnpike Road to Wm. D. Scales, and the other private stockholders of said road, heretofore withdrawn by him, without amendment.

Bill, No. 244, for the benefit of stayors in certain cases,

Was taken up.

Mr. Gallaway moved

To amend, by striking out so much of the bill as relates to the time for the provisions of the bill to take effect.

The motion prevailed.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Bobo, Bullen, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Easterly, Fielder, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Holmes, Kimble, Mabry, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Watkins, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—34.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cobb, Cook, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fort, Harris, Kinney, Little, Massengill, Nixon, Pogue, Rudd, Smith, Temple, Ward, Welcker, Whiteside, and Wood of Hardeman—27.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27

Bill, No. 250, to incorporate the East Tennessee Farming, Grape-growing, Stock-raising, and Manufacturing Company,

Passed third reading.

Bill, No. 251, for the benefit of Revenue Collectors and Constables,

Was taken up.

Mr. Parks moved

To strike out "four," and insert "eight," where it occurs in said bill.

The motion prevailed.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bartlett, Bullen, Colquet, Colburn, Cox, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Watkins, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—38.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Cobb, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fort, Gilbert, Gleaves, Little, Meek, Travis, Ward, Whiteside, and Wood of Cannon—18.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	38
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18

Mr. Pope moved

To refer Bill, No. 252, for the relief of A. H. Nail, to the Committee on Claims.

The motion prevailed, and the reference was ordered.

Bill, No. 256, requiring the Clerk of the Supreme Court at Nash-

ville, to collect and arrange the Law Library belonging to the State,

Passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Colburn, Cox, Dortch, Fielder, Fort, Gleaves, Kimble, Little, Mabry, Meek, Nixon, Pogue, Pope, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Wilson, of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—27.

Noes—Messrs. Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Cobb, Colquet, Donelson, Easterly, Gallaway, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Parks, Richey, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Stovall, Tipton, Travis, Wallace, Watkins, and Wood of Cannon—25.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	27
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	25

Bill, No. 262, for an appropriation to clear out the Hiwassee River,

Was taken up.

Mr. Dortch called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill was then rejected by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Carlock, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Cox, Davie, Easterly, Kimble, Kinney, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Tipton, Whiteside, and Mr. Speaker Brown—23.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Cavitt, Cook, Cowden, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Shemwell, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—35.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35

Bill, No. 264, for the relief of John S. Petway,

Was taken up.

Mr. Cox demanded the ayes and noes on the passage of the bill, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Colquet, Cook, Cowden, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Mabry, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Richey, Shemwell, Stovall, Temple, Tompkins, Ward, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—36.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bullen, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cobb, Colburn, Cox, Easterly, Harris, Kinney, Little, Massengill, Meek,

Parks, Pope, Rudd, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tipton, Wallace, Welcker, White, and Wilson of Carroll—23.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23

The bill passed third reading.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 6, 1856.]

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Cavitt entered the following protest, which was read and ordered to be entered upon the Journal :

PROTEST.

The undersigned, in the exercise of a right conferred upon him by the *twenty-seventh section of the second article* of the constitution of this State, earnestly protests against the passage of a bill entitled "A bill to prevent incompetent persons from teaching free schools," and asks that the following reasons for his dissent to said bill be entered on the Journal of this House :

The bill provides that the County Court shall appoint one of more examiners of teachers, and forbids the board of examiners from giving a certificate to any one who is not competent to teach certain branches ; and the school commissioners are not to employ any person who has not a certificate from the examiners, &c.

1st. The County Court is no more capable of appointing examiners than the school commissioners themselves ; therefore, if the commissioners want an examiner to assist them in deciding on the competency of a teacher, why not let *them* select such examiners ?

2d. If the appointment of examiners is conferred on the County Court, and those examiners are to give a certificate of competency of every teacher of a free school in the county, as a matter of public convenience, those examiners will be men living near the county seat, who would send out, as teachers, the *learned loafers* and personal favorites of the village, whose certificates would fail to render them acceptable to parents in the country.

3d. The development of the mental faculties, and the cultivation of the moral sentiments of the child, are equally objects of pa-

rental concern—hence the teachers should not only be *learned*, but possess an unblemished *moral character*, correct religious views, mildness and moderation, combined with energy, and a talent to impart instruction successfully, and to secure and retain the affection and confidence of his pupils. In all these essentials of a good teacher, the parent has a higher right, and a deeper interest in judging than all the rest of mankind. The plan proposed in the bill deprives the parent of this right, whilst it fails to divest him of that strong natural interest every parent must feel in the welfare of the child.

The parent being accountable to society, and to God, for the intellectual and moral training of the child, and having a part of the tax to pay, which constitutes the common school fund, should have a more direct influence in the selection of a teacher, than this bill proposes to give him.

Lastly. The provisions of the bill are in opposition to the spirit and genius of our institutions, and violation of the great principle of direct responsibility on the part of the ruler to the people, the representative to the constituent, the servant to the master, *the teacher to the parent of the child*—a principle too useful and necessary as a check to unlicensed authority, and a corrective of abuses, to be safely surrendered for one moment.

N. Y. CAVITT.

Mr. Nixon, from the Committee on Claims, reported on Bill, No. 252, for the relief of A. H. Nail, Tax Collector of Bledsoe county, and for other purposes,

And recommended its rejection.

Mr. Galbreath returned Resolution, No. 142,

In relation to the improvement in the navigation of Cumberland River by aid of the National Government,

With an amendment.

Mr. Tompkins offered a Resolution, No. 153,

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That the present General Assembly will adjourn *sine die* on Monday the third day of March next.

The resolution was laid over under the rule.

Mr. White, from the Committee on New Counties and County Lines, reported on Bill, No. 464,

To settle and establish the line between the counties of Shelby and Tipton,

And recommended an amendment, and the passage of the bill.

Leave of absence was granted to Messrs. Cloud and Campbell, on account of sickness.

Mr. Gleaves entered a motion to reconsider the vote passing Bill, No. 264, for the relief of Jno. S. Petway, of Davidson county.

Mr. Dunnington moved

A reconsideration of the vote passing Bill, No. 54, to charter the Bank of America.

Upon which motion, Mr. Davie demanded the ayes and noes:

Ayes—Messrs. Bobo, Brazelton, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Gilbert, Gleaves, Mathis, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson or Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Harde-man—24.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bullen, Burch, Carmichael, Cobb, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Myatt, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—42.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	42

The House refused to reconsider.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the following bills were correctly engrossed, viz: Nos. 283, 248, 212, 109, 238, 246.

Mr. Fielder called up Resolution, No. 152, heretofore introduced by him.

Mr. Cavitt moved its indefinite postponement.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Looney obtained leave to withdraw Resolution, No. 145, for amendment.

On motion of Mr. Looney,

Bill, No. 480, to provide for the future management of the State Hospital, and for other purposes,

Was taken up.

Mr. Gleaves offered an amendment, providing that the Medical Faculty shall not have the right to rent out or underlease said Hospital during the term of their lease, and that they may surrender the same to the State of Tennessee at any time during the session of any General Assembly of the State.

Mr. Cox offered an amendment, appropriating three thousand five hundred dollars for the support of the State Hospital, in the event the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Nashville, refuse to relinquish their lease of said Hospital.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, moved

To strike out the word "conveyed" in the first section, and insert in lieu "leased," and to strike out "conveyance" in the second section, and insert in lieu "lease."

Mr. Looney called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill then passed second reading.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, moved

To re-commit the bill to the Committee which heretofore had it under consideration, with instructions to report a bill in lieu, provi-

ding for the sale of the Hospital, and the distribution of the proceeds between the Hospitals at Knoxville, Nashville and Memphis.

Mr. Galbreath moved

To amend the instructions to the Committee, by providing that the proceeds should be distributed equally among the different counties of the State, for charitable purposes.

The House refused to adopt the amendment.

The motion to re-commit then failed.

Mr. White introduced Resolution, No. 154, as follows :

Whereas, The charter of the Union Bank of the State of Tennessee requires the establishment of a Branch of said Bank in East Tennessee, for the purposes of "discount and deposit," and upon the same terms and in the same manner as shall be practiced at the principal Bank ; and whereas, said charter further requires that there shall be annually appointed by the Board of Directors of the principal Bank, to administer the affairs of said office of discount and deposit, twelve Directors, and prescribes the manner in which said Directors shall be selected, &c., and provides that they shall select from among themselves a President, &c.; and whereas, the Branch of said Bank at Knoxville is, and has been, without a Directory for some months past, to the great inconvenience of the citizens of East Tennessee ; therefore,

Resolved, That the Board of Directors of the Union Bank of the State of Tennessee be, and they are hereby, requested to report to the House whether or not it is the intention of their Board to comply with the provisions of their charter, in reference to their office in East Tennessee, and if such be their intention, to report further as to the time when they design to carry their intention into effect.

The Resolution, under the rule, was laid over one day.

On motion of Mr. Harris,

The House proceeded with Bills on third reading.

Bill, No. 247, to prevent the misunderstanding of jurors,

Was taken up.

Mr. Tipton offered an amendment, providing that the provisions of the bill shall not be obligatory, unless the Judge can write.

Mr. Fort offered an amendment, providing that when any Judge or Chancellor is incompetent to try any cause, he may, by and with the consent of the parties litigant, appoint some member of the Bar to try the same, under the same rules that govern the interchanges of Judges and Chancellors.

Mr. Cook offered an amendment, requiring the Judges of the Circuit and Criminal Courts to write out their charges, when requested by either party interested in the cause.

Mr. Cavitt moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill and amendments.

The motion failed.

Mr. Tipton called the previous question, but failed to meet with a second.

Mr. Newman then called the previous question.

The call was sustained by the House.

The bill then passed third reading, by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs Ball, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dortch, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Shemwell, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, and Wood of Cannon—36.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Burch, Cavitt, Cobb, Cook, Cox, Davie, Dunnington, Fort, Gilbert, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Mabry, Rudd, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Thomas, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—29.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29

Mr. Galbreath moved

The immediate transmission of the bill to the Senate.

Mr. Cavitt demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Pogue, Richey, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Watkins, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, and Wood of Cannon—42.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cobb, Dunnington, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Little, Parks, Pope, Rudd, Stovall, Taylor, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—22.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	42
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22

The motion failed, there not being two-thirds voting in the affirmative.

Mr. Harris called for the special order, being Bill, 509, to create a Sinking Fund to liquidate the State Bonds granted to Internal Improvements.

Mr. Stovall moved

To postpone the special order till 7 o'clock, to-night.

The motion failed.

Mr. Burch moved

To reconsider the vote adopting a section in lieu of the first section of the bill, on Monday last.

The House reconsidered the vote.

Mr. Burch then obtained leave to withdraw said motion, and offered a bill in lieu of the first section of the bill.

Pending discussion on which,
On motion,
The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The following Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled act, to repeal the tippling law ;

And the same has been deposited with the Secretary of State.

The Senate has passed upon third reading House bills as follows, with amendments :

No. 115, to provide for the relief of Thomas Shelton, and for other purposes :

Amended by striking out the second section.

No. 132, to amend the charter of the Nashville and Middle Franklin Turnpike Company, and for other purposes :

With an amendment, incorporating the Cainesville and Valley Turnpike Company :

And an amendment to the third section of the original bill.

No. 146, to be entitled An act to amend the act of 1825, chapter 56 :

With an amendment for the benefit of the Clerks of the Supreme Courts.

No. 150, to incorporate the Nashville and Memphis United States Mail Packet Line, and for other purposes :

With an amendment, incorporating the Jackson Life and General Insurance Company.

No. 359, to incorporate the Rosetta Mining and Smelting Company, and the Harrison and Hamilton Mining and Manufacturing Company :

With an amendment, incorporating the Citizens' Coal Company of Nashville.

No. 175, to authorize Wm. H. Guy and others to build a turnpike road, to amend the charter of the Memphis and Horn Lake Plankroad Company, and for the benefit of the Wartrace and Beech Grove Turnpike Company :

With an amendment, amending the charter of the Columbia, Pulaski, and Elkton Turnpike Company.

The Senate has adopted a bill entitled

A bill to amend an act passed November 28, 1855, to establish a Common Law and Criminal Court west of Reel Foot Lake, in Obion county,

In lieu of House Bill, No. 108, entitled A bill to promote improvement in the Criminal Law, and for other purposes.

The Senate has passed, on third reading, Senate bills as follows:

No. 34, to amend the general incorporation laws of this State, and to retrench the expenses of legislation.

No. 125, to provide for the gradual enlargement of the Library, and for the custody of the same.

No. 129, to abolish military duty in this State.

No. 193, to provide for the payment of costs in prosecutions against slaves.

No. 197, to be entitled An act defining the duties of Commissioner of Roads.

No. 202, to establish the town of Centreville as a Common School District, &c.

No. 211, supplemental to an act passed 27th February, 1852, entitled An act to prescribe the mode of choosing electors to vote for President and Vice President of the United States.

And the same are herewith transmitted for the consideration of the House of Representatives.

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled act

To extend to the Chattanooga, Harrison, Georgetown, and Charleston Railroad Company further time in which to obtain State aid, and for other purposes;

And enrolled Resolution, adverse to any change in the Federal Constitution;

And the same are herewith transmitted for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

I herewith transmit the report of the Joint Select Committee appointed to confer with the Commissioners of the State Capitol, and ascertain the cost of the same.

Mr. Cox obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 439,

To repeal an act passed February 16, 1852, to create the Hospital of Tennessee, and for other purposes.

Mr. Fielder moved

To suspend the unfinished business of the morning, in order to take up Senate Bill, No. 159,

To amend the law concerning corporations.

The motion failed.

Mr. Travis moved

To suspend the unfinished business of the morning, in order to take up Bill, No. 108,

To promote improvement in the Criminal Law, and for other purposes.

The motion prevailed.

The Senate Bill in lieu, amending the act passed November 28,

1855, establishing a Common Law and Criminal Court in Obion county, was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Brown of Madison, Bul-
len, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox,
Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Gal-
breath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little,
Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon,
Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Snod-
grass, Stovall, Taylor, Thomas, Travis, Wallace, Watkins, Welck-
er, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood
of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—56.

Noes—None.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	56
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	00

On motion of Mr. Cook,
Bill, No. 115, to pravide for the relief of Thomas Shelton, and
for other purposes,

Was taken up, and the Senate amendment to the same was con-
curred in.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

To make the various bills introduced by Mr. Colburn the special
order for Saturday next.

The motion failed.

The House then proceeded to the consideration of the unfinished
business of the morning, being Bill, No. 509,

To create a sinking fund to liquidate the State Bonds granted to
Internal Improvements, and the amendment thereto.

The amendment offered by Mr. Burch, in lieu of the first section
of the bill, was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Parks,

The second section of the bill was stricken out.

The report of the Committee on Internal Improvements, amend-
ing the third section of the bill, was concurred in.

Mr. Hatton moved

To strike out the third section, as amended.

The motion prevailed.

The first section, as amended, was, on motion of Mr. Burch, fur-
ther amended, so as to embrace bonds granted to railroad compa-
nies to aid in constructing bridges.

On motion of Mr. Newman,

The remainder of the original bill was stricken out.

Mr. Hatton moved

To amend the amendment of Mr. Burch, by providing that the
sinking fund may be invested in County Bonds.

Mr. Newman moved

To lay Mr. Hatton's amendment on the table ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

To amend, by repealing all laws requiring any railroad companies to collect a bridge tax, if they comply with the provisions of this act.

Mr. Newman called the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—61.

Noes—Messrs. Cook and Hatton—2.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	61
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	2

On motion of Mr. Newman,

The bill was ordered to be transmitted at once to the Senate.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported

Bill, No. 115, to provide for the relief of Thomas Shelton, &c., as correctly enrolled :

Bill, No. 252, for the relief of A. H. Nail,

Was rejected by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Burch, Cook, Easterly, Pope, Wallace, and White—7.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Homes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—53.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	7
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	53

Bill, No. 265, to repeal the first and second second sections of the act of 1843, chapter 9,

Was rejected by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Burch, Cook, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Dunnington, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Looney, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, White, Whiteside, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—29.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Ball Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Parks, Pope, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Taylor, Tipton, Travis, Watkins, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—34.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34

Mr. Tipton moved

To reconsider the vote of rejection.

The House reconsidered the vote.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Burch, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Dunnington, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Looney, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Pogue, Richey, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—32.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Brazelton, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Parks, Pope, Runnels, Rudd, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Tipton, Travis, Watkins, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—31.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	32
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	31

Bill, No. 266, for the relief of the heirs and devisees of M. Jules Godeau d'Eutrigues and Madame Agathe Garande d'Eutrigues,

Passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Watkins, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—59.

Noes—Messrs. Brown of Madison, Cavitt, and Wallace—3.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	59
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	3

Bill, No. 266½ to establish a Criminal Court in the city of Chattanooga,

Was taken up,

Mr. Burch moved

To strike out the fifteenth section of the bill.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Burch offered three additional sections, establishing Criminal Courts at Winchester and Fayetteville.

The sections were adopted.

Mr. Burch moved

To strike out the day fixed in the bill for the election of the Judge of said court, and insert the first Thursday in May.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Burch moved

To strike out eight hundred dollars as the salary of the Judge, and insert one thousand dollars.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Galbreath offered an amendment, establishing a Criminal Court at Gainsboro, in Jackson county, and providing for the election of a Judge of the same by the qualified voters of Jackson county.

Mr. Pope moved

To lay Mr. Galbreath's amendment on the table.

Upon which, Mr. Galbreath demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Cobb, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Easterly, Fielder, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Newman, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—42.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Donelson, Galbreath, Gilbert, Mathis, Myatt, Nixon, Pogue, Shemwell, Stovall, Travis, and Wilson of Marshall—16.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	42
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	16

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Burch called for the previous question.

Mr. Galbreath demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Burch, Carlock, Cobb, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown--51.

Noes—Messrs. Bullen, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Donelson, Galbreath, Stovall, and Tompkins—8.

Ayes,	51
Noes,	8

The House sustained the call.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Burch, Cavitt, Cobb, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Watkins, Welcker, White, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—35.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Donelson, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Hatton, Little, Mathis, Nixon, Pogue, Runnels, Shemwell, Stovall, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—29.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29

On motion,

The House adjourned till 7 o'clock, to-night.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion,

The House proceed to the consideration of bills on second reading.

Bill, No. 91, to repeal the Tippling Law,

Was taken up.

Mr. Dortch moved

To strike out all after the enacting clause, and insert a provision allowing the corporate authorities of all towns in this State to regulate the sale of ardent spirits in their limits.

Mr. Harris offered an amendment, in lieu of the amendment of Mr. Dortch, allowing the sale of ardent spirits in any quantity, not to be drank on the premises where sold, and forbidding the taking of ardent spirits to musters, courts, or elections, to be sold and used as a beverage.

Mr. Cavitt offered an amendment, declaring it to be the sense of this House that good liquor is a good thing in the abstract.

Mr. Thomas offered a bill, in lieu of the whole.

Mr. Temple offered an amendment, providing for the Governor of the State to grant license to sell liquor, under such restrictions as he may deem fit.

Mr. Bullen offered an amendment, embodying the corporate system, and repealing all laws authorizing Grand Jurors to send for witnesses, or Attorneys General to file endictments ex officio, except in cases of suspected sales on Sundays, and to slaves.

Mr. Mathis moved

To lay the whole subject on the table.

The motion failed.

Mr. Cavitt called the previous question.

The House refused to sustain the call.

Mr. Bullen withdrew his amendment.

Mr. Holmes moved

The indefinite postponement, and demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Cook, Cox, DeWitt, Dunnington, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Mathis, Meek, Runnels, Rudd, Taylor, Temple, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—27.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Davie, Dortch, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Myatt, Newman, Parks, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tipton, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—23.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27
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Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23
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The motion prevailed.

Bill, No. 102, for the benefit of parents and guardians,
Was, by leave of the House, withdrawn by Mr. Runnels.

Bill, No. 113, to suppress drunkenness,

Was taken up.

Mr. Galbreath offered a bill in lieu, which he withdrew.

The bill was then, on motion, passed over informally.

Bill, No. 125, to repeal portions of the "Omnibus" Internal Improvement Act,

Was taken up.

Mr. Newman offered a bill in lieu.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To amend the bill in lieu, by inserting "October," in lieu of "August," wherever it occurs in the same.

Mr. Newman accepted the amendment.

Mr. Rudd moved

To amend the bill in lieu, by striking out 1857, and insert 1858, wherever it occurs in the same.

Mr. Armstrong moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill and bill in lieu,

But subsequently withdrew his motion.

The bill in lieu was then adopted.

Upon the passage of the bill upon its second reading, Mr. Newman demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Brown of Madison, Cavitt, DeWitt, Dunnington, Fielder, Mathis, Newman, Shemwell, Thomas, Travis, Whiteside, and Wilson of Marshall—12.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Bullen, Carlock, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Cook, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Runnels, Rudd Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—38.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	38

The bill was rejected.

Bill, No. 128, to provide for the punishment of persons interfering with trains on railroads,

Was taken up.

Mr. Mathis moved

To strike out so much of the bill as provides for the provisions of the bill to take effect from and after its passage;

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Travis moved

To amend the 1st section by a proviso, to the effect, that damage must result from the shooting or throwing.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Meek offered an amendment, as a proviso, to the effect that the train must be in motion and persons on board.

Mr. Hatton moved

To lay Mr. Meek's amendment on the table.

The motion prevailed.

The bill, as amended, passed its second reading.

On motion,

The House adjourned till to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

THURSDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 7, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, moved

A suspension of the rule of the House, (No. 33,) forbidding a reconsideration of a vote of reconsideration.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, moved

A reconsideration of the vote passing Bill, No. 265, to repeal the 1st and 2d sections of the act of 1843, ch. 9, on its third reading yesterday.

The House reconsidered the vote.

On motion of Mr. Wood, of Hardeman,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Burch, on account of sickness.

On motion of Mr. Wood, of Cannon,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Smith, on account of sickness.

The bill was then rejected by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Looney, Meek, Pogue, Richey, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wood of Hardeman and Mr. Speaker Brown—29.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Donelson, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pope, Runnels, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Tipton, Travis, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—39.

Ayes, - - - - - 29

Noes, - - - - - 39

Mr. Bullen presented a Petition from the citizens of the town of Rheatown, in Greene county, praying for the enactment of a law incorporating said town.

Mr. Davie presented a Petition from the Stockholders of the Memphis, Clarksville and Louisville Railroad Company, praying for an amendment of the charter of said railroad company, in relation to the eligibility of Stockholders to the office of Director.

The petition was read, and, by permission of the House, withdrawn by Mr. Davie.

Mr. Nixon, from the Committee on Claims, reported on Senate Bill, No. 157, for the benefit of Kinsloe and Brother, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, from the Committee on Internal Improvements, reported on Senate Bill, No. 160, to authorize the construction of a railroad from the town of Shelbyville, to the line of the State of Alabama, via. Lewisburg, in the county of Marshall, and Pulaski, in the county of Giles, and recommend that the 16th, 17th and 18th sections of the bill be stricken out, and that the bill pass.

Mr. Hatton moved

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Fort entered a motion to reconsider the vote indefinitely postponing Resolution, No. 152.

The House reconsidered the vote.

Ayes—Messrs. Bartlett, Bobo, Carlock, Colquet, Cook, Cowden, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Gleaves, Kimble, Mabry, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Pogue, Richey, Temple, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman and Mr. Speaker Brown—28.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cobb, Colburn, Cox, Davie, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Massengill, Meek, Parks, Pope, Runnels, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, and Wilson of Carroll—40

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported on Bills, Nos. 183, 204, 206, 208, 227, 256, 250, and 409, and on Resolutions, Nos. 59, 149, and 150, as correctly engrossed.

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Harris called up Resolution, No. 153, in relation to an adjournment of this General Assembly, *sine die*, on Monday, 3d of March next.

Mr. Temple offered a Resolution in lieu, to the effect that it is the desire of this House to transact the business before it, and having so done, to adjourn *sine die*.

Mr. Harris called the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

Upon the adoption of the resolution, Mr. Cowden demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Carlock, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—61.

Noes—Messrs. Brown of Madison, Fort, Gilbert, Kimble, Parks, Pogue, Snodgrass, and Whiteside—8.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	61
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8

The resolution was adopted, and

On motion of Mr. Newman,

Ordered to be transmitted at once to the Senate.

Mr. Shemwell introduced Resolution, No. 155, as follows :

Resolved, That we proceed with the business of this House as fast as possible, and that no member shall be allowed to speak more than once on any one subject, and not more than ten minutes.

Mr. Shemwell moved

A suspension of the rule.

The motion failed.

Mr. Mabry introduced Resolution, No. 156, as follows :

Resolved, That this House hold night sessions every night until the close of the present session, commencing on the 13th February, 1856, Saturdays and Sundays excepted.

Mr. Mabry moved

A suspension of the rule.

The motion failed.

Mr. Hatton moved

That the majority of the Joint Committee on the Penitentiary be granted leave to withdraw their report for amendment,

The motion failed.

Mr. Carmichael moved

To have five thousand copies of the report of the majority and ori y of said committee printed for the use of the House.

The motion failed.

Mr. Newman moved -

To order the printing of a thousand copies.

The motion failed.

Mr. Tipton moved

To order the printing of five hundred copies.

Mr. Harris moved

To lay the motion to print on the table.

The motion to lay on the table failed.

The motion to print then failed.

Mr. Temple moved

That the minority report of said committee be transmitted to the Senate.

Mr. Looney moved

To lay the whole subject on the table.

The motion to lay on the table prevailed.

The following Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk:

MR. SPEAKER :

The Senate has passed on third and last reading, Senate Bill, No. 86, entitled A bill to establish a Criminal Court at the city of Knoxville ;

And the same is herewith transmitted for the consideration of the House of Representatives.

I also herewith transmit the report of the Joint Select Committee on Banks, in rsference to the various reports of the Commissioners appointed to investigate the condition of the Bank of Tennessee and Branches.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House Bills on third reading were taken up.

Bill, No. 271, for the benefit of Common Schools,

Was withdrawn by Mr. Richey.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

Mr. SPEAKER :

The Senate passed on third and last reading, House Bill, No. 303, entitled a bill to purchase the Hermitage, and to establish an Agricultural and Military School, after amending the same ;

And the said amendments are herewith transmitted for the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Bill, No. 272, to amend the charter of the city of Nashville,
Passed third reading.

Bill, No. 273, to amend the existing laws on the subject of killing wolves,

Was taken up.

Mr. Brazelton offered an amendment authorizing any man to kill wolves free of charge.

Mr. Mathis offered an amendment striking out five dollars and inserting three dollars, and striking out ten dollars and inserting six dollars in lieu, wherever they occur in the bill.

Mr. Myatt moved

To amend by striking out five dollars and inserting four dollars, and striking out ten dollars and inserting six dollars in lieu.

Mr. Myatt's amendment was adopted.

Mr. Gilbert offered an amendment providing that no scalps should be counted which were taken before the 1st of June, 1856, and allowing fifty cents for coon scalps.

Mr. Holmes offered an amendment exempting the breed of wolves encountered by Gen. Putnam in Connecticut.

Mr. Mabry called the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bullen, Carlock, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Tipton, Wallace, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—37.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Cavitt, Cook, Cowden, DeWitt, Dortch, Gilbert, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Mathis, Meek, Pogue, Runnels, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Wilson of Carroll, and Wilson of Marshall—27.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	37
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27

Bill, No. 276, prescribing the mode of proving open accounts before Justices of the Peace,

Passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colburn, Cowden, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fielder, Harris, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Shemwell, Stovall, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—44.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Cobb, Colquet, Cook, Cox, Donelson, Easterly, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Hatton, Little, Meek, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—23.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	44
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23

Mr. DeWitt moved

A reconsideration of the vote just taken.

The House reconsidered the vote.

Mr. Temple offered a bill in lieu.

Mr. Cobb called the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill was then rejected by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Bartlett, Bobo, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cowden, Davie, Dortch, Fielder, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Myatt, Newman, Pogue, Richey, Shemwell, Stovall, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Watkins, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—26.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Brazelton, Bullen, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cox, DeWitt, Donelson, Easterly, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Little, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Nixon, Parks, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Ward, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—33.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33

Bill, No. 280, to protect the lay members of the ecclesiastical denominations against the domination of the clergy,

Passed third reading by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—53.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Carlock, Cavitt, Cobb, Colquet, Gilbert, Newman, Nixon, and Wood of Cannon—9.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	53
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	9

On motion of Mr. Cook,
Bill, No. 43, to guard against accidents upon railroads, and to protect the lives and property of the citizens,

Was taken up.

Mr. Cook offered a bill in lieu.

Mr. Bullen moved

To amend the bill in lieu, by leaving the reward to be offered for the apprehension of offenders, at the discretion of the Governor of the State.

Mr. Cook accepted the amendment.

Mr. DeWitt moved

To amend by making it a misdemeanor in any person to knock down the sign boards, where railroads cross other roads or streets.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill in lieu was adopted.

The bill then passed third reading, by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Carlock, Cavitt, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Easterly, Galbreath, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—49.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brown of Madison, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Fielder, Gilbert, Harris, Mathis, Richey, Travis, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—13.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	49
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	13

Bill, No. 281, to prescribe and limit the liabilities of inn-keepers in certain cases,

Passed third reading by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Carlock, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Massengill, Meek, Nixon, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Wallace, Ward, White, Whiteside, Wilson Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—41.

Noes—Messrs. Brown of Madison, Cavitt, Colquet, Gilbert, Kimble, Looney, Mabry, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Pogue, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Tompkins, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—16.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	41
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	16

Bill, No. 284, to charter the Knoxville Bridge Company,
Was taken up.

Mr. Bullen offered an amendment, amendatory of the charter of the Broyles and Henshaw Bridge Company.

Mr. Little offered an amendment, incorporating the Trustees of Salem Academy, in Bedford county.

Mr. Mabry offered an amendment, amendatory of the charter of the Harrison and Gardner Turnpike Company.

Mr. Donelson offered an amendment, incorporating the Harts-ville Institute.

Mr. Rudd obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 431, to amend an act entitled An act to incorporate the Montgomery Turnpike Com-pany, passed 25th January, 1848,

And offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

Mr. Davie offered an amendment, amendatory of the charter of Stewart College.

Mr. Hatton offered an amendment, amendatory of the charter of the Lebanon and Trousdale Ferry Turnpike Company.

Mr. Mabry offered an amendment, amendatory of the charter of McMinnville and Chattanooga Turnpike Company.

Mr. Galbreath offered an amendment, chartering the Gainesboro and Defeated Creek Turnpike Company.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, offered an amendment, amendatory of the charters of the Shelbyville, Farmington, and Lewisburg Turn-pike Company, and the Cornersville and Lewisburg Turnpike Com-pany.

Mr. Cavitt offered an amendment, amendatory of the charter of the Nashville and North-Western Railroad Company.

Mr. Holmes offered an amendment, amendatory of the charter of the Memphis and Covington Turnpike and Plank Road Com-pany.

The various amendments were successively adopted, the caption of the bill changed to fit them, and the bill, as amended, passed third reading.

Bill, No. 285, to allow railroad companies to increase their rail-road stock, and for other purposes,

Was taken up.

Mr. Davie offered an amendment, amendatory of the charter of the Memphis, Clarksville and Louisville Railroad Company.

Mr. Donelson offered an amendment, amendatory of the act au-thorizing Sumner county to issue bonds in payment of her subscrip-tion to the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company, passed 20th December, 1853.

The amendments were adopted, the caption of the bill changed to fit them, and the bill passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Gleaves, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Massengill, Mathis, Nixon, Parks,

Pogue, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—46.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Bullen, Carmichael, Cobb, Colburn, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Meek, Newman, Stovall, and Tipton—12.

Ayes,	- - - - -	46
Noes,	- - - - -	12

Bill, No. 282, to prescribe the duty of the County Court of Davidson county, in disposing of the sinking fund of said county, created to pay railroad stock,

Was taken up.

Mr. Harris offered an amendment, extending the provisions of the bill to the counties of Jefferson, Washington, and Claiborne.

The amendment was adopted, the caption of the bill changed to fit it, and the bill passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Carlock, Carmichael, Cobb, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—56.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Cavitt, and Colquet—6.

Ayes,	- - - - -	56
Noes,	- - - - -	6

On motion of Mr. Hatton,

All bills which have passed third reading, were ordered to be transmitted at once to the Senate.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 8, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Speaker Brown presented a petition from B. W. Crane, of Davidson county, praying for a license to hawk and peddle, without charge, on account of decrepitude.

The petition was received and read, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, presented a communication from Moses M. Swann, in relation to the fees charged by W. B. A. Ramsey, late Secretary of State, for certifying the grants transcribed by said Swann, as directed by the act of 27th February, 1854.

The communication was received and read, and referred to the Special Committee appointed to investigate the official acts of the late Secretary of State.

Mr. Travis, from the Committee on Finance, reported as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

Your committee would respectfully report to the House that the receipts into the treasury for the last two years fall short of the expenditures for the same time, one hundred and eighteen thousand five hundred and ninety-two dollars and fifty-seven cents.

Your committee would further state, that one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars of bonds, issued for stock in the Union Bank will fall due in 1858; and also the fifty thousand dollars of bonds issued for the construction of the Capitol, making the amount of bonds to be provided for, one hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars.

Your committee would suggest to the General Assembly the propriety of disposing of the stock owned by the State in the Union and Planters' Banks, and place the proceeds thereof in the Bank of Tennessee as a part of her capital stock, requiring her to pay off the bonds falling due in 1858.

Your committee would further suggest the repeal of the act of 1853-4, authorizing the Bank to appropriate her dividends to the increase of her capital stock.

With these changes, and a more stringent assessment law, your committee believe that the deficiency would be remedied. These are only suggestions, as your committee are aware that the subject more properly belongs to the Committee on Ways and Means.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. E. TRAVIS,

Chairman of Committee on Finance.

The said report was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Nixon, from the Committee on Claims, reported on

Bill, No. 377, for the relief of Sneed Harris, of the county of Shelby ;

And the amendment to the same, for the benefit of Crawford W. Hall ;

And recommended the adoption of said amendment.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported on Bills, Nos. 108, and 395, as correctly enrolled ;

And on Bills, Nos. 191, 266, and 273, as correctly engrossed.

Mr. Travis called up the motion heretofore entered,
To reconsider the vote indefinitely postponing Resolution,
No. 152.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To lay the motion to reconsider on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Davie called up the report of the Committee on Banks, in
relation to the reports of the Commissioners appointed to investi-
gate the condition of the various branches of the Bank of Tennes-
see. (*Vide Appendix.*)

Mr. Stovall moved

To order the printing of one thousand copies of the report for
the use of the House.

Mr. Newman moved

That no notice be taken on the Journal of the reports of the
Commissioners appointed to investigate the branch banks, except
so far as they appear in the report of the Joint Committee on
Banks, just submitted to the House.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Runnels called up Resolution, No. 71,

Directory to the Judiciary Committee, to report a bill blending
the offices of Trustee and Tax Collector.

Mr. Mathis called the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The resolution was then rejected.

Mr. Stovall introduced Resolution, No. 157, as follows:

Resolved, That the Senate meet the House of Representatives
in Convention, on the 18th of February, 1856, at 11 o'clock, A. M.,
for the purpose of electing a Register of the Land office for the
Western Division of the State.

On motion of Mr. Stovall,

The rule was suspended, and the resolution adopted.

On motion of Mr. Looney,

The House proceeded with bills on third reading.

Bill, No. 288, to exempt certain property from execution,

Was taken up.

Mr. Stovall moved

To strike out "China ware," and insert "sifter."

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Ward moved

To add a "crib or cradle" to the articles exempted.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Parks moved

To add a "nurse" to the articles exempted.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To add, "all other things necessary to the comfort of a family."

Mr. Looney called the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill was then rejected by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Cook, Cowden, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Gleaves, Holmes, Looney, Meek, Newman, Pope, Runnels, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, Watkins, White, Whiteside, and Mr. Speaker Brown—27.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Donelson, Easterly, Fielder, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Tipton, Wallace, Welcker, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—35.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35

Bill, No. 288½, to charter the Strawberry Plains and Sevierville Turnpike Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Meek offered an amendment, giving to said company a succession for ninety-nine years—ten years within which to commence their road, and twenty years within which to complete the same.

The amendment was adopted, and the bill passed third reading.

Bill, No. 289, to furnish copies of Nicholson and Caruthers, and to supply deficiencies in this State,

Was taken up.

Mr. Tipton offered an amendment, to furnish Clerks and Masters of the Chancery Courts in this State with copies of Decisions of the Supreme Court.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

The motion prevailed.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—62.

Noes—None.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	62
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	00

Bill, No. 290, to incorporate the Bluff City Loan and Building Association Company of Memphis,

Was taken up.

Mr. Snodgrass offered an amendment, incorporating the Sparta Building and Loan Association.

Mr. White offered an amendment, amendatory of the Knoxville Building and Loan Association charter.

Mr. Carmichael offered an amendment, incorporating the Bean's Station Building and Loan Association.

Mr. Tipton offered an amendment, incorporating the Elizabethton Building and Loan Association.

The various amendments were adopted, the caption of the bill changed to fit them, and the bill passed third reading.

Bill, No. 294, to charter the Jonesboro Bank,

Was taken up:

Mr. Harris moved

A non-concurrence in the report of the Committee on Banks, recommending certain amendments as to personal liability.

The House non-concurred in said amendments.

The remainder of the amendments proposed by said Committee were concurred in.

Mr. Cook offered an amendment, chartering the "Bank of Franklin."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Carmichael offered an amendment, incorporating the "Bank of Emery ;"

Which he subsequently withdrew.

The bill was then rejected by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, Easterly, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Wallace, White, Whiteside, and Mr. Speaker Brown—29.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Gleaves, Hatton, Mathis, Newman, Pogue, Runnels, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—32.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29
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Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32
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Bill, No. 293, to regulate Merchants' Tax,

Was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The following Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Senate has concurred in House amendment to Senate Bill, No. 130, entitled

A bill for the benefit of the Tennessee Hospital for the Insane;
And the same has been ordered to be enrolled.

The Senate has receded from its amendment to House Bill, No. 237, entitled

A bill requiring railroad companies to drain the cuts on the side of railroads in this State ;

And the same is herewith transmitted for enrollment.

The Senate has adopted House Resolutions as follows, and the same are herewith transmitted for enrollment :

No. 59, in relation to Lieut. W. F. Maury.

No. 149, in regard to the tobacco interest of the United States.

▲ No. 153, to adjourn sine die, March 3.

No. 135, in regard to the number of Acts and Journals to be printed for this General Assembly.

The Senate has rejected House Bills as follows, and the same are herewith returned :

No. 57, to authorize the taking of the depositions of practicing physicians.

No. 135, for the benefit of administrators and executors.

No. 203, to amend the law in relation to turnpike roads, and fines against them, and for other purposes.

Mr. Ball informed the House that Mr. Gallaway's absence was owing to illness.

Mr. Donelson moved

To take up Bill, No. 303, to purchase the Hermitage, and establish an Agricultural and Military School, and the Senate amendment thereto.

Mr. Ward amended the motion, by including all Senate Messages.

The motion then failed.

The House then took up bills on third reading.

Bill, No. 320, to amend the charter of the Tennessee and Alabama Railroad Company, and for other purposes,

Was taken up.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, offered an amendment, for the benefit of the Mississippi Central, and Tennessee Railroad Company, and for the benefit of the Mobile and Ohio Railroad Company.

Mr. Carmichael moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

The motion failed.

Mr. Holmes moved

To amend, by including the Memphis and Ohio Railroad Company within the benefits of the amendment.

Mr. Cavitt offered an amendment, prohibiting the erection of dams across the rivers mentioned in the amendment.

Mr. Carmichael offered an amendment, by way of proviso, to effect that the navigation of said rivers should not be obstructed.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To lay Mr. Carmichael's amendment on the table.

The motion prevailed.

The various amendments were adopted by the House, the caption of the bill changed to fit them, and the bill, as amended, passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Easterly, Fielder, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Harde-
man, and Mr. Speaker Brown—54.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Cavitt, Cobb, Colquet, Galbreath, Mathis, Newman, and Watkins—7.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	54
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7

On motion of Mr. Looney,

The bill was ordered to be transmitted to the Senate without delay.

Bill, No. 356, to create Boards of Medical Examiners for the State of Tennessee, to promote Medical Science, &c.,

Was taken up.

Mr. Gleaves offered an amendment, excluding all physicians from the provisions of the bill, who may have been engaged in the practice of their profession for the term of five years previous to passage of the bill.

Mr. Gilbert offered an amendment, providing that the first meeting of the Medical Boards shall be held at Jackson, Nashville, and Knoxville; and after said first meeting, to meet at any place within their respective divisions to which they may adjourn.

The amendments were adopted.

Mr. Harris called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

Upon the passage of the bill, the vote was as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Cavitt, Colquet, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Fort, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Hatton, Kimble, Looney, Mabry, Pogue, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—28.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Carmichael, Cobb, Colburn, Cowden, Easterly, Fielder, Harris, Kinney, Little, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Tipton, Travis, Wallace, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—37.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28
Noes,	-	.	-	-	-	-	-	37

The bill was rejected.

Mr. Nixon entered a motion to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 288, to exempt certain property from execution, and for other purposes.

Mr. Newman moved

To take up the motion at once.

Mr. Tipton moved

That the House adjourn till 7 o'clock, to-night.

The motion failed.

On motion,

The House then adjourned till 10 minutes after 7 o'clock, to-night.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Kinney obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 403, for the benefit of the Rogersville and Jefferson Railroad,

For amendment.

Mr. Wallace obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 493, to establish and define the county lines between the counties of Campbell, Anderson and Roane,

For amendment.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 469, for the benefit of the Mississippi Central and Tennessee Railroad Company.

Bills on third reading were then taken up.

Bill, No. 362, to incorporate Eureka College,
Was taken up.

Mr. Bullen offered an amendment, providing that none of the property of said College shall be exempt from taxation, except the immediate grounds upon which the same is situated.

Mr. Temple offered an amendment, incorporating the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

Mr. Rudd offered an amendment for the benefit of the township composed of the 17th civil districts, in Monroe and Blount counties.

Also, an amendment, establishing Rural Vale District, in Monroe county.

Mr. Cook offered an amendment, incorporating Oak Hill Academy, in Williamson county.

Mr. Bullen offered an amendment, incorporating Rheatown, in Greene county.

Mr. Colquet obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 321, authorizing the Trustee of Overton county to pay out certain school funds, originating from sale of lands, &c.,

And offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

The amendments were successively adopted, the caption of the bill was changed to fit them; and the bill passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Carlock, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—51.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Cavitt, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Mathis, Newman, Travis, and Whiteside—9.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	51
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9

Bill, No. 368, to incorporate Stewart College and Academy, in Montgomery county,

Was taken up.

Mr. Hatton obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 461, to incorporate the Law Library Association of Cumberland University ;

Also, Bill, No. 489, to incorporate the Three Forks Institute ;

Also, Bill, No. 490, to incorporate the Educational Society of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church ;

And offered them as amendments to the bill under consideration.

Mr. Stovall obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 326, to extend the corporate limits of the town of Camden,

And offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

He also offered an amendment, incorporating the town of Mt. Pelia, in Weakley county.

Mr. Cavitt offered an amendment, incorporating the town of Boydville, in the county of Weakley.

Mr. Tipton offered an amendment, incorporating all the towns, cities, and hamlets in the State, with full power to pass all laws and ordinances not inconsistent with the Constitution of the State, or of the United States ;

Which, on motion of Mr. Fielder,

Was laid on the table.

Mr. White obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 441, to incorporate the Young Men's Christian Association of Knoxville,

And offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

The various amendments, except that of Mr. Tipton, were successively adopted, the caption of the bill was changed to fit them, and the bill passed third reading, as amended.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, from the Select Committee appointed to take into consideration Bill, No. 267, to amend the practice in the County Courts in this State,

Reported as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Select Committee, to whom House Bill, No. 267, entitled A bill to be entitled An act to amend the practice in the County Courts in this State, was referred, with instructions to report a bill to re-organize the County Courts, have had the same under consideration, and are clearly of opinion that a re-organization of said Courts can be made with advantage to the Courts and to the people. The Committee have directed me to report the bill back to the House with the accompanying bill, entitled A bill to be entitled An act to create and regulate the office of County Judge, in lieu, and recommend the adoption of the bill in lieu, and the passage of the same.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

HERVEY BROWN,
Chairman.

Mr. Stovall moved

To order the printing of one hundred and fifty copies of the bill in lieu, recommended by the Committee, for the use of the House.

The motion prevailed, and the printing was ordered.

On motion of Mr. Looney,

The bill was then made the special order for Thursday next, at 10 o'clock.

Bill, No. 377, for the relief of Sneed Harris,

Was taken up.

Mr. Cox obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 444, for the relief of the securities of John J. Hinton,

And offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

The amendment was adopted.

The amendment for the benefit of Crawford W. Hall was adopted, as recommended by the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Tipton offered an amendment, furnishing the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Carter County with certain reports of the decisions of the Supreme Court;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Mathis moved

A reconsideration of the vote adopting the amendment offered by Mr. Cox.

The House reconsidered the vote.

Mr. Cox then withdrew his amendment, by consent of the House.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—40.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Little, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Stovall, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—23.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	40
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	23

Bill, No. 226, to amend an act passed January 31, 1854, entitled An act to charter the Carthage, Alexandria and Red Sulphur Springs Turnpike Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Welcker offered an amendment, amendatory of the charter of the town of Kingston.

The amendment was adopted,

The caption of the bill changed to fit it, and the bill passed its third reading.

Bill, No. 233, the Lafayette and Red Sulphur Springs Turnpike Company, and to secure its completion by State credit,

Was taken up.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To strike out so much of the bill as grants State aid.

Mr. DeWitt moved

To lay the motion on the table.

Mr. Shemwell, demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bullen, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek,

Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Wallace, Whiteside, and Mr. Speaker Brown—29.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazelton, Carlock, Cavitt, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Gilbert, Harris, Little, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Runnels, Shemwell, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—27.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27

The motion to lay on the table prevailed.

Mr. Galbreath called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

Mr. Cavitt moved

That the House adjourn till to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

The motion failed.

The bill was then rejected by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Myatt, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Tompkins, Wallace, and Whiteside—25.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Cobb, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Gilbert, Harris, Little, Mathis, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Shemwell, Stovall, Thomas, Travis, Welcker, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—32.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	25
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	32

On motion of Mr. Looney,

Senate messages, amending House bills,

Were taken up.

House Bill, No. 303, to purchase the Hermitage and establish an Agricultural and Military School,

Was taken up.

Mr. Hatton suggested that other bills transmitted in Senate messages had precedence in point of order, over the bills just taken up.

Mr. Newman moved

That the House proceed with the consideration of the bill.

Mr. Bullen entered a motion to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 294, to charter the Jonesboro Bank.

Mr. Welcker entered a motion to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 264, for the relief of John S. Petway.

Mr. Thomas moved

That the House adjourn till to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

Mr. Newman demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Cook, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Rudd, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Travis, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—35.

Noes—Messrs. Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Cobb, Colquet, Donelson, Easterly, Fielder, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Shemwell, Wallace, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—19.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	35
Noes,	-	-	-	-	19

The motion prevailed, and the House adjourned.

SATURDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 9, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Nixon, from the Committee on Claims, reported on Bill, No. 520, for the relief of Larkin Cardin, and recommended a section in lieu of the 1st section of the bill, and the passage of the bill as amended.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported on Bills, Nos. 247, 251, 266 $\frac{1}{2}$, 272, 280, and 289, as correctly engrossed; and, also, on Resolution, No. 157, as correctly engrossed.

Mr. Massengill introduced Resolution, No. 158, amendatory of article tenth, and section fourth of the Constitution, in relation to the formation of New Counties, for the benefit of the thirteenth, fourteenth, and fifteenth civil districts of Sullivan county.

On motion of Mr. Massengill,

The rule was suspended, and the resolution referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Welcker introduced Resolution, No. 159, for the benefit of John Blair, W. Y. Huff, and others.

On motion of Mr. Welcker,

The rule was suspended, and the resolution adopted.

Mr. Hatton introduced Resolution, No. 160, as follows:

Resolved, That hereafter, all bills coming to this House, from the Senate, shall be acted upon in the order in which they come; and as between those coming up on the same day, they shall be taken up according to their number, the lowest first; provided, that, by a vote of two-thirds, the House may at any time take up, and act upon, any Senate bill or resolution, out of the order indicated in this resolution.

Resolved, That in order to carry out the provisions of the foregoing resolution, the Clerk is requested to keep a list of all Senate messages, noting the date of their transmission to this House.

Mr. Hatton moved

A suspension of the rule requiring resolutions to lie over one day.

The motion failed.

Mr. Taylor introduced Resolution, No. 161, recommending the appointment, by Congress, of Commercial Agents for the United States in foreign ports.

The resolution, under the rule, was laid over one day.

Mr. Pogue moved

To reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 233, to incorporate the Lafayette and Red Sulphur Springs Turnpike Company, and to secure its completion by State credit.

The House reconsidered the vote of rejection.

Mr. Harris offered an amendment to the bill, extending the provisions of the same to the Washington county and Walnut Mountain Turnpike Company.

Mr. Stovall moved

To strike out so much of the bill as grants State aid.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

To lay Mr. Harris's amendment on the table.

The motion failed.

The amendments were ruled out of order by the chair, the previous question having been called and sustained on last night before the bill was rejected.

Mr. Harris moved

To reconsider the vote sustaining the call for the previous question.

The House refused to reconsider.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Colburn, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, and Wilson of Carroll—33

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquett, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Gilbert, Harris, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Travis, Watkins, Wilson or Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—29.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29

Mr. Holmes entered a motion to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 356, to create Boards of Medical Examiners for the State Tennessee, and to promote medical science, and for other purposes.

Mr. Temple called up the motion heretofore entered to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 238, to exempt certain property from execution, and for other purposes.

Mr. Cavitt called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

Mr. Fielder demanded the ayes and noes, on the motion to reconsider, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison Bullen, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Travis, Ward, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—34.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Cavitt, Donelson, Easterly, Fielder, Gilbert, Kimble, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Tipton, Wallace, Watkins, Welcker, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—26.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Harris moved

To reconsider the vote sustaining the call for the previous question on the bill before it was rejected.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Bullen moved

To strike out "two horses or mules, or one horse and mule, or one horse or mule and yoke of oxen," and insert "one horse or mule or yoke of oxen."

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To strike out "three" ploughs and insert "two," to strike out "three" hoes and insert "two," to strike out "two" sets of plough gears and insert "one," to strike out "two" riding bridles and insert "one," to strike out "one thousand" bundles of oats and "one thousand" bundles of fodder and insert "five hundred" bundles of each.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

To insert between the words "or" and "bacon" the words six hundred pounds.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Snodgrass offered an amendment providing that no man shall dispose of the property exempted by the provisions of the bill except by and with the consent of his wife, or if the head of the family be a widow, then she shall not dispose of the property except by and with the consent of the guardian of her children, if they have any.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Carlock offered an amendment exempting all the poultry on hand from execution.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Tipton offered an amendment repealing all laws making it an offence in any officer of this State to levy on any property exempt from execution, provided he does not sell the same, and providing that unless the defendant in the execution or attachment, shall make oath that he, she, or they, have no property except such as is exempted from sale by the laws of this State, then the said defendant or defendants shall have no remedy in the event the same is sold by said officer.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Temple moved

To reconsider the vote adopting the amendment of Mr. Snodgrass.

The House reconsidered the vote of adoption.

Mr. Snodgrass then withdrew his amendment by consent of the House.

Mr. Stovall moved

So to amend as to exempt only ten dollars' worth of poultry from execution.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Stovall called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes.—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Cavitt, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Galbreath, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Looney, Mabry, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Travis, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—36.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Donelson, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Massengill, Nixon, Richey, Snodgrass, Tipton, Wallace, White, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—26.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26

Mr. Cavitt called up Resolution, No. 146, directory to the Secretary of State, heretofore introduced by him.

On motion,

The resolution was laid on the table for the present.

Mr. Newman called for the unfinished business of last night, being Bill, No. 303, to purchase the Hermitage and establish an Agricultural and Military School.

Mr. Hatton moved

To lay the bill on the table for the present.

Mr. Travis demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Davie, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Massengill, Meek, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Rudd, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tipton, Ward, and Welcker—25.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cox, Donelson, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Kimble, Mabry, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Taylor, Travis, Wallace, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—34.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34

The motion failed.

Mr. Travis moved

To concur in Senate's amendments to the bill.

Mr. Bullen called for the previous question on the motion.

The House sustained the call.

The House then concurred in Senate's amendment by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Bobo, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Davie, Donelson, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Kimble, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—34.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carmichael, DeWitt, Dortch, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney Meek, Pogue, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—27.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	34
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	27

Mr. Fielder asked and obtained leave of absence for the members of the Special Committee heretofore appointed to investigate the official acts of the late Secretary of State.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2½ o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The following Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk:

MR. SPEAKER:

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts, as follows, and the same are herewith transmitted for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives, viz:

An act to give Johnson and Carter Turnpike Company further time to complete said road, and to erect a toll-gate.

An act for the benefit of the Tennessee Hospital for the Insane.

The Senate has passed on third reading, Senate Bills—

No. 88, to settle the law of sales in equity.

No. 204, to amend the charter of the Atlantic, Tennessee, and Ohio Railroad Company.

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts entitled

An act for the relief of Thomas Shelton.

An act for the relief of R. T. Daniel, of the county of Stewart, and for the relief of C. H. Morrison, Jailor of Montgomery county.

An act to amend an act, passed November 28, 1855, to establish a Common Law and Criminal Court in Obion county.

And the same have been deposited with the Secretary of State.

The Speaker presented the following communication from J. Kirkman, President of the Union Bank, which was received and read:

UNION BANK OF TENNESSEE,)
Nashville, February, 9, 1856. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR — In reply to a Resolution making enquiry "if it is the intention of the Board of the Union Bank, to comply with the provisions of their charter in reference to the office in East Tennessee, and at what time?" I have respectfully to answer, that the business of the branch of this Bank at Knoxville, has been suspended from the voluntary resignation of the Board of that branch. As soon as this Board is satisfied that it is the wish of the business community of that section, that a new Board should be appointed, we will take the matter into respectful consideration.

I have the honor to be, very respectfully, your obedient servant,
J. KIRKMAN, President.

Senate Bill, No. 50, to amend the charter of the Hyde's Ferry Turnpike Company,

Was taken up.

The Senate amendment in lieu of House amendment to the same, was concurred in.

The memorial transmitted from the Senate in regard to the re-

peal of laws declaring the middle fork of Forked Dear River navigable, were, on motion of Mr. Parks, referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To take up Resolution, No. 146, directory to the Secretary of State, laid on the table for the present this morning.

The motion to take up prevailed, and the resolution was adopted, and ordered to be transmitted to the Senate at once.

Mr. Kinney returned Bill, No. 403, for the benefit of the Rogersville and Jefferson Railroad, with amendments.

Mr. Kinney moved to take up the bill.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Bullen obtained leave to withdraw the amendment to said bill heretofore offered by him.

The amendment of Mr. Kinney, requiring the said railroad company to set apart a sinking fund of two per cent on the State bonds granted to it, to meet the same at maturity, was adopted.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Colburn, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Easterly, Fort, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Tipton, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, and Whiteside—36.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Cavitt, Colquet, Dortch, Fielder, Gilbert, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Stovall, Travis, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman—17.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17

On motion of Mr. Looney,

The bill was ordered to be transmitted, at once, to the Senate.

Bill, No. 76, to incorporate the McMinnville and Sparta Turnpike Company,

Was taken up, and Senate amendments to the same were concurred in.

Bill, No. 84, to amend the practice in the Chancery Courts,

Was taken up.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, moved

A non-concurrence in the Senate amendment in lieu of the first section of the bill.

The motion prevailed,

The report of the Joint Select Committee on the State Capitol, transmitted to this House from the Senate,

Was taken up and read. (Vide Appendix.)

On motion of Mr. DeWitt,

Seventy-five copies were ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

Mr. Myatt returned Bill, No. 232, to charter the White Plains and Montgomery Turnpike Company, with an amendment.

On motion of Mr. Myatt,
The bill just returned
Was taken up.

The amendment of Mr. Myatt, in relation to the remedy in case the said company, in laying out their road, interfere with other roads,

Was adopted.

Mr. Mathis moved

To strike out that portion of the bill which grants State aid, and demanded the ayes and noes on the motion :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Dortch, Fielder, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Stovall, Thomas, Ward, and Welcker—20.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Burch, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Easterly, Fort, Harris, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Tipton, Wallace, Whiteside, and Mr. Speaker Brown—28.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28

There not being a quorum present,

Mr. Cavitt moved

That the House adjourn till 9 o'clock, Monday morning.

MONDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 11, 1856.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Leave of absence was granted to Messrs. Smith and Snodgrass, on account of sickness.

Mr. Cox presented the report from the Superintendent and Trustees of the Blind Asylum ;

Which was received and ordered to be transmitted to the Senate.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported on Bills, Nos. 43, 186½, 234, 288½, and 290, as correctly engrossed ; and on Bills, Nos. 144, and 237, and Resolutions, Nos. 59, 133, and 149, as correctly enrolled.

Mr. Galbreath called up Resolution, No. 142, to procure an appropriation for the improvement of the navigation of Cumberland River.

Mr. Galbreath moved

To amend, by striking out the counties of Smith and Jackson, wherever they occur in said resolution.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Tipton moved

To amend, by including the Holston River within the benefits asked by the resolution.

The motion failed.

Mr. Kimble moved

To lay the whole subject on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Bullen moved

To reconsider the vote concurring in Senate amendments to Bill, No. 303, to purchase the Hermitage and establish an Agricultural and Military School.

Upon the motion to reconsider, Mr. Bullen demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carmichael, Colquet, Cox, Davie, Holmes, Looney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Rudd, Temple, Tipton, Wallace, Welcker, and White—21.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Carlock, Cavitt, Colburn, Dortch, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Stovall, Taylor, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—33.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	21
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	33

The motion failed, and the House refused to reconsider.

Mr. Massengill asked and obtained leave to enter his dissent from the passage of the bill above mentioned, as he voted for it under the impression that the General Government would be required to pay for the Hermitage, in the event it be accepted when tendered by the Governor of this State.

The House then proceeded to the consideration of the unfinished business of Saturday, being

Bill, No. 232, to charter the White Plains and Montgomery Turnpike Company, and the various amendments to the same.

Mr. Harris offered an amendment, including the Washington County and Walnut Mountain Turnpike Company within the provisions of the bill.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Mathis renewed the motion made by him on Saturday, to

strike out so much of the bill as grants State aid, and demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bul-
len, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Dortch, Fielder, Gilbert,
Holmes, Looney, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Shemwell,
Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson
of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—28.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Carmichael, Cox, Davie, De-
Witt, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry,
Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Tay-
lor, Tipton, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, and White—26.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26

The motion to strike out prevailed.

Mr. Ward obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 402, to charter the Clinton College and Mulherrin Turnpike Company.

Mr. Myatt obtained leave to withdraw the bill under considera-
tion.

Mr. Tipton obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 354, to charter the Elizabethton and Owensville Turnpike Company.

On motion of Mr. Cox,

House Bill, No. 159, to incorporate the Rosetta Mining and
Smelting Company, and the Hamilton and Harrison Mining and
Manufacturing Company,

Was taken up, and Senate's amendment to the same, incorpora-
ting the Citizens' Coal Company of Nashville, was concurred in.

Mr. Harris moved

To take up Senate bills on third reading.

The motion prevailed.

Senate Bill, No. 5, to amend an act to authorize and regulate
county subscriptions for railroad stock, passed 22d January, 1852,

Was taken up.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, moved

To strike out so much of the bill as exempted the South-Western
Railroad from its provisions.

Mr. Newman moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

The motion prevailed, and the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Senate Bill, No. 31½, to secure the widow her dower in certain
cases,

Passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton,
Brown of Madison, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Cox, Davie, De-
Witt, Dortch, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Harris, Holmes, Kimble,
Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, North-
cutt, Parks, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Stovall, Temple, Thomas,
Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, Whiteside, and Wilson of Carroll—39.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Colburn, Dunnington, Easterly, Gilbert, Kinney, Mathis, Pogue, Pope, Taylor, Wallace, Welcker, White, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Harde-
man, and Mr. Speaker Brown—19.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	39
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19

Senate Bill, No. 47, to incorporate the Synod of West Tennessee,
Was taken up.

Mr. Tipton offered an amendment, incorporating the Taylorsville
Building and Loan Association.

Mr. Temple offered an amendment, incorporating the McGavock
Land Building and Loan Association.

Mr. Algee offered an amendment, incorporating the Jackson Gas
Light Company.

The various amendments were adopted, the caption of the bill
was so changed as to fit them, and the bill passed third reading.

Senate Bill, No. 55, authorizing the transfer of suits in Chancery
Courts, between citizens of Meigs county, from the the courts at
Athens, Cleveland and Harrison, to the court at Decatur,

Was taken up.

Mr. Temple offered an amendment, authorizing the prosecution
of suits in Chancery against unknown heirs.

Mr. Northcutt offered an amendment, prescribing the time for
holding the Chancery Court at Smithville, McMinnville, Altamont,
and Woodbury.

Mr. Wallace obtained leave to withdraw bill, No. 339, to estab-
lish a Chancery Court at Clinton, in Anderson county,

And offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

Mr. Carmichael offered an amendment, transferring all suits to
the Circuit Court of Union county, in which citizens of said county
may be defendants, from the courts of any county from which frac-
tions may have been stricken off to form said county of Union.

The various amendments were adopted.

Mr. Wallace moved

A reconsideration of the vote adopting his amendment.

The House reconsidered.

Mr. Wallace then moved

To amend as to the time of holding the court.

The motion prevailed, and the amendment, as amended, was
adopted.

Mr. Stovall moved

A reconsideration of the vote adopting Mr. Temple's amendment.

The House reconsidered.

Mr. Temple moved

To amend the amendment as to the notice to be given by publi-
cation.

The motion prevailed, and the amendment, as amended, was
adopted.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Carmichael, Colburn, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Eastery, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Holmes, Looney, Mabry, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Rudd, Shemwell, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—41.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Colquet, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Richey and Travis—15.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	41
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	15

Senate Bill, No. 43, to amend the charter of the Shelbyville, Flat Creek, Mulberry, and Fayetteville Turnpike Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, offered an amendment, providing that, if Bedford build said road to the Lincoln county line, and Lincoln fail to meet them, then Bedford shall be entitled to all the provisions of the bill ;

Also an amendment, appointing certain commissioners in Lincoln to act with the other commissioners appointed by the charter ;

Also an amendment, incorporating the Flat Creek and Lynchburg Turnpike Company.

Mr. Tipton offered an amendment, incorporating the Owensville, Elizabethton, Doe River, Cove, and Iron Mountain Turnpike Company.

Mr. Tipton (for Mr. Campbell) offered an amendment, amendatory of the charter of the turnpike road from Stephen Huff's to the Painted Rock, in Cocke county.

Mr. Ward offered an amendment, incorporating the Clinton College and Mulherrin Turnpike Company.

Mr. Welcker offered an amendment, amendatory of the charter of the Nashville and Middle Franklin Turnpike Company.

Mr. Ward obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 401, to amend an act entitled An act to charter the Carthage, Alexandria, and Red Sulphur Springs Turnpike Company, and for other purposes,

And offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

The various amendments were adopted, the caption of the bill changed to fit them, and the bill, passed third reading.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Cavitt moved a call of the House.

Present—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Brazelton, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—47.

Present,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	47
Absent,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28

Mr. Harris moved

To dispense with the further call.

The motion prevailed.

After the lapse of a few minutes, a quorum was present.

Senate Bill, No. 93, to amend the Revenue Laws,

Was, on motion of Mr. Newman, referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senate Bill, No. 29, to repeal the act of 1852, to authorize and regulate the business of banking,

Was taken up.

Mr. Cavitt called for the previous question on the passage of the bill.

The House sustained the call.

Upon the passage of the bill, the vote was as follows ;

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Dunnington, Easterly, Galbreath, Gilbert, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Travis, and Wilson of Marshall—23.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fielder, Fort, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Shemwell, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—35.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35

The bill was rejected.

Senate Bill, No. 74, to empower constables to swear jurors of view,

Was taken up.

Mr. Mathis moved

So to amend as to authorize constables to summon jurors of view.

The motion prevailed, and the amendment was adopted.

Mr. Bullen obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 449, to amend the 13th section of an act entitled

An act, passed 1804, chapter 1st, in relation to public roads, and offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To lay Mr. Bullen's amendment on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Davie offered an amendment providing that the officer summoning the jury, must notify the owner or owners of the land over which the road is contemplated to pass, of the time of making the survey and view.

Mr. Harris called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, White-side, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—48.

Noes—Messrs. Brown of Madison, Burch, Cavitt, Easterly, and Tompkins—5.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	48
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5

Senate Bill, No. 98, to provide for the payment of certain State bonds, was,

On motion of Mr. Mathis,

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senate Bill, No. 104, to charter the Tennessee Marble Mining and Manufacturing Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Burch offered an amendment incorporating the Hamilton Manufacturing Company.

Mr. Gilbert offered an amendment providing that said company shall not locate in Benton or Humphreys counties.

Mr. Armstrong obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 477, to authorize James McNeily and Hugh Blair to erect a dam across Little Pigeon River, and offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

Messrs. Armstrong and Burch withdrew their amendments.

Mr. Mathis moved

To strike out the 6th and 7th sections of the bill.

Mr. Gilbert moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

Mr. Tipton called for the previous question on the motion to indefinitely postpone.

The House sustained the call.

Mr. DeWitt demanded the ayes and noes on the motion to postpone indefinitely, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Bobo, Bullen, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Mathis, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Stovall, Travis, Whiteside, and Wilson of Marshall—22.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Parks, Pogue, Rudd, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—36.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36

The motion failed.

Mr. DeWitt then obtained leave to withdraw the bill for amendment.

Senate Bill, No. 120, to incorporate the town of Cookeville, in the county of Putnam,

Was taken up.

Mr. Newman offered an amendment extending the provisions of the bill to the town of Decherd, in Franklin county.

Mr. Dortch offered an amendment amendatory of the charter of the town of Somerville.

The amendments were adopted, and the bill passed third reading.

Senate Bill, No. 135, to secure the collection of debts contracted by County Commissioners ;

Passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Colburn, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Pogue, Rudd, Shemwell, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—42.

Noes—Messrs. Bullen, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Dunnington, Kinney, Mathis, Nixon, and Richey—8.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	42
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	8

Senate Bill, No. 157, for the benefit of Kinsloe & Brother,
Passed second reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Richey, Rudd, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Har-
deman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—40,

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Fielder, Gilbert, Harris, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Shemwell, Stovall, and Wilson of Carroll—14.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	40
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	14

**Senate Bill, No. 159, to amend the law concerning corporations,
Was taken up.**

Mr. Fielder offered an amendment providing for the act to take effect from and after its passage.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was then rejected by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Cavitt, Harris, Massengill, Parks, Shemwell, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, and Wood of Hardeman—12.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Gilbert, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney. Mabry, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—45.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	12
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	45

Senate Bill, No. 183, for the benefit of the railroad tax payers of Davidson county,

Passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—47.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brazelton, Carmichael, Fort, Gilbert, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Stovall, Whiteside, and Wilson of Marshall—11.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	47
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11

On motion of Mr. Brown, of Madison, Senate Bill, No. 66, to incorporate the Jackson Building and Loan Association Company,
Was taken up, and passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Easterly,
Senate Bill, No. 126, to amend an act to authorize the extension of the Memphis and Charleston Railroad, passed February 23, 1854,

Was taken up, and passed second reading,
And, on motion of Mr. Easterly,
Made the special order for Saturday next, at 10 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Kimble,
House Bill, No. 317, to authorize the County Court of Decatur county to lay off an additional civil district in said county,
Was taken up.

Mr. Wallace offered an amendment, authorizing the County Court of Anderson county to lay off an additional civil district in said county.

The amendment was adopted, and the bill passed third reading.

On motion of Mr. Tipton,
Senate Bill, No. 56, to authorize the election of additional Justices of the Peace in certain cases, and for other purposes,
Was taken up.

Mr. Tipton offered an amendment, providing that when any Justice of the Peace in this State is included in any new district that may be laid off by the County Court of the county in which the district is situated, the said Justice shall be the Justice for the new district, and his place shall be supplied in the old district by the election of a successor.

The amendment was adopted, and the bill passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Wilson, of Marshall,
Senate Bill, No. 189, to charter the Duck River Valley Railroad Company,
Was taken up.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, moved
To amend by filling out the blank as to the Commissioners, with certain names.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Shenwell offered an amendment, amendatory of the charter of the Louisville and Memphis air line Railroad Company.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill then passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Meek,
Senate Bill, No. 76, to divide and equally apportion the Academy fund of Jefferson county between Maury Academy and Dandridge Female Academy,

Was taken up, and passed second reading.

The following Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk:

MR. SPEAKER :—

The Senate has adopted Resolution, No. 66, addressed to the Cashiers of the Bank of Tennessee, and the Union and Planters' Banks ;

And the same is herewith transmitted for the consideration of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has indefinitely postponed House Bills, as follows :

No. 63, to change the manner of taxing land, divided by a county line ;

No. 256, requiring the Clerk of the Supreme Court at Nashville to collect and arrange the law library, belonging to the State ;

And the Senate has also rejected House Bill, No. 47, entitled A bill to amend the first section of the act of 1844, ch. 103 ;

And the same is herewith returned.

On motion,

The House adjourned till Wednesday morning, 9 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 13, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Mathis entered a motion

To reconsider the vote rejecting Senate Bill, No. 29, to repeal the act of 1852, to authorize and regulate the business of banking.

Mr. Pope entered a motion

To reconsider the vote, striking out State aid from Bill, No. 232, to charter the White Plains and Montgomery Turnpike Company.

Mr. Harris, from Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that Bills, 226, 282, 285, 403, 288, 320, and Resolution, No. 159,

Correctly engrossed.

And Bill, No. 303, to purchase the Hermitage,

Correctly enrolled.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To take up House Bills amended in Senate.

The motion failed.

On motion of Mr. Meek,

The House proceeded to the consideration of House Bills, on second reading.

Bill, No. 97, to secure married women the right and use of their own property,

Was taken up.

Mr. Dortch called for the previous question.

The call was sustained.

The ayes and noes were demanded by Mr. Stovall :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstroug, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carmichael, Cook, DeWitt, Dortch, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Newman, Runnels, Shemwell, Smith, Travis, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—19.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, and Wilson of Marshall—43.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	19
Noes,	.	-	-	-	-	43

The bill was rejected.

Bill, No. 111, to further extend the jurisdiction of the officers of incorporated towns and cities,

Was rejected.

Bill, No. 130, to protect owners of land sold for taxes,

Was rejected.

Bill, No. 145, to amend the law of practice and pleading in cases of slander,

Was rejected.

Bill, No. 160, to regulate the emancipation of slaves, &c.,

Was rejected.

Bill, No. 169, to make certain cases felony, &c.,

Was rejected.

Bill, No. 179, to establish a more efficient system of common schools,

Was made the special order for Friday morning, 10 o'clock, on motion of Mr. Holmes.

Mr. DeWitt asked and obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 195,

To amend an act entitled An act to amend an act to establish a system of internal improvements in Tennessee, &c.

Bill, No. 242, to provide for lunatics, to amend the revenue laws, and for other purposes,

Was taken up.

Report of the Committee concurred in, and

The bill was rejected.

Bill, No. 268, to repeal the act of 1842, chapter 35, sec. 1, &c.,

Was taken up.

The bill recommended in lieu by the Judiciary Committee was adopted.

Mr. Parks moved

To amend that one dollar be allowed to the Clerk for each case.

Mr. Cavitt moved the indefinite postponement of the bill.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Cavitt asked and obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 296,
To charter the Tennessee and Columbus Railroad.

Bill, No. 304, making an appropriation to improve the navigation
of Forked Deer River,

Was taken up.

Mr. Fielder offered a bill in lieu.

Mr. Stovall moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill and the bill in lieu.

Mr. Gleaves called for the previous question.

The call was sustained.

The bill was rejected.

Bill, No. 315, for the benefit of F. W. Strickland, &c.,

Was taken up.

Mr. Cavitt offered a Resolution relative to the subject matter of
the bill, requesting the Commissioners of the Capitol to make a
report as to the justice of the claim, &c.

Mr. Cavitt withdrew his resolution, and moved the indefinite
postponement of the bill.

Upon which motion, Mr. Temple demanded the ayes and noes:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen,
Carlock, Cavitt, Colquett, Colburn, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder,
Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Mas-
sengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Pogue, Richey, Rudd,
Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Taylor, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis,
Wallace, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Mar-
shall, and Wood of Hardeman—41.

Noes—Messrs. Bartlett, Burch, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, De-
Witt, Dortch, Easterly, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Looney, Mabry,
Meek, Parks, Pope, Runnels, Temple, Thomas, Ward, and Mr.
Speaker Brown—22.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	41
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22

The motion prevailed, and the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Bill, No. 342, to furnish certain civil districts in Tipton county
with the statute laws of Tennessee,

Was withdrawn by Mr. Taylor, by leave of the House.

Bill, No. 361, to amend the act of 1811, chapter 76,

Was amended by striking out, on motion of Mr. Dortch, the pro-
vision making the act take effect from and after its passage,

And passed second reading.

Bill, No. 363, to clean out Little Tennessee River,

Was rejected.

Bill, No. 364, to collect debts from counties,

Was withdrawn by Mr. Newman by leave of the House.

Bill, No. 372, for the benefit of creditors,

Was taken up.

On motion of Mr. Mathis,

So much of the bill as provides for its going into effect from first of January, was stricken put.

Mr. Cox moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

Mr. Dortch called for the previous question.

The call was sustained.

The bill was then indefinitely postponed.

Bill, No. 390, to amend an act to authorize the extension of the Memphis and Charleston Railroad, and for other purposes, passed 3d February, 1854, chapter 311,

Was withdrawn by Mr. Pope by leave of the House.

Bill, No. 407, for the benefit of Lizzy, Bob, Violet, Susan, Reynolds, Jacob, and Elic, free persons of color,

Was taken up.

The bill in lieu, offered by Mr. Shemwell, was adopted.

The bill then passed second reading.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Cavitt moved

A call of the House.

Absent,

Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Bobo, Carmichael, Donelson, Galbreath, Gleaves, Hatton, Meek, Pope, Runnels, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, and Wood of Cannon—23.

The call was suspended, on motion of Mr. Harris.

A quorum of members was shortly afterwards present.

Mr. Temple, by leave, offered a Resolution, No. 162, as follows :

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the State Capitol be requested forthwith to communicate to this House, whether or not the State of Tennessee has had the services of Francis W. Strickland as Assistant Architect of the State Capitol; and if so, for what time—whether or not said services were essential or unnecessary to the proper conduct of the work in said building, and the reason of their failure or refusal to compensate him for the same; and that the Clerk of the House furnish the President of the Board with a copy of this resolution.

The rule was suspended,
On motion of Mr. Temple,
And the resolution was adopted.

Bill, No. 411, to change the line of Polk and McMinn counties,
Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 414, to prescribe the mode of probating claims against
deceased persons,

Was rejected.

Bill, No. 415, to change the name of Ross Preswell to Ross Hurst,
Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 416, asking three thousand dollars for common schools,
Was rejected.

Bill, No. 417, to amend the criminal laws of this State,
Was taken up.

Mr. DeWitt called for the ayes and noes upon its passage :

Ayes—Messrs Algee, Brown of Madison, Colburn, Cook, Cowden,
Cox, DeWitt, Fort, Gleaves, Kimble, Little, Looney, Mabry, Mas-
sengill, Meek, Parks, Runnels, Rudd, Taylor, Temple, Tipton,
Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of
Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—30.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Burch,
Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder,
Gilbert, Harris, Holmes, Kinney, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon,
Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Stovall, Travis, and
Wood of Hardeman—29.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29

The bill passed second reading.

Bill, No. 420, to appoint and define the duties of a Bond Com-
missioner for the State,

Was taken up.

Mr. Dortch moved

To strike out that clause in fourth section which gives the com-
missioner power to sell bonds below par.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Nixon moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

Upon which motion, Mr. Dortch called for the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen,
Carmichael, Colquet, Cowden, Fielder, Gleaves, Harris, Kinney,
Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt,
Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Stovall, Tipton, Welcker, White,
and Wilson of Marshall—28.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colburn,
Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Easter-
ly, Fort, Gilbert, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Looney, Myatt, Parks,
Shemwell, Taylor, Temple, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward,

Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—33.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	28
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	33

The motion to indefinitely postpone failed.

Mr. Dunnington withdrew the bill for amendment.

Bill, No. 421, prescribing the time when the acts of the General Assembly shall take effect, when not otherwise provided,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 425, to regulate the payment of cost in cases of misdemeanor,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 427, to regulate the grades of railroads in this State, entitled to State aid,

Was taken up.

Mr. Holmes moved

To strike out "fifty," and insert "sixty," and strike out "sixty," and insert "seventy," wherever they occur in the bill.

The motion prevailed.

The bill passed second reading.

Bill, No. 428, to authorize the building a dam and fish-traps on Holston river,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 429, to incorporate the Emery Manufacturing and Transportation Company,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 430, for the benefit of the heirs of T. Crutchfield, deceased,

Was rejected by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Burch, Carlock, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Davie, Easterly, Looney, Meek, Pope, Rudd, Taylor, and Welcker—16.

Noes—Messrs. Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Cavitt, Colquet, Cox, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Whiteside, Wilson Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—44.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	16
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	44

Bill, No. 432, to regulate Banking in this State,

Was taken up.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, moved

To amend the bill as follows :

Provided, That said Union Bank shall immediately restore the

Branches at Knoxville and Jackson with Directors and officers, as the same existed before they were reduced to the present condition.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts and resolutions as follows, and the same have been deposited with the Secretary of State :

Requiring railroad companies to drain the cuts on the side of of railroads in this State.

An act to change the name of Tazewell Academy, and to incorporate Alexandria Masonic Female College in DeKalb county.

Resolution fixing the number of Acts and Journals of the present General Assembly to be printed and distributed.

And a resolution in reference to Lieut. W. F. Maury.

An act to purchase the Hermitage.

The Senate has passed, on third reading, House Bill, No. 68, entitled

A bill to amend the Free Banking Law, after amending the same ;

And I have been directed to transmit the same immediately to the House of Representatives for their action.

Pending discussion on Bill, 432, the House adjourned till 7 o'clock, to-night.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Leave of absence was granted to Messrs. Galbreath and Meek, on account of sickness.

Mr. Algee entered a motion to reconsider the vote rejecting Senate Bill, No. 159, to amend the law concerning corporations.

The House then resumed the unfinished business of the evening, being Bill, No. 432, to regulate Banking in this State.

Mr. Dunnington moved

To refer it to a select committee of three.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Parks moved

To order the printing of seventy-five copies of the bill for the use of the House.

The motion failed.

Mr. Gilbert moved

That the Select Committee be requested to report as early as practicable, and that the bill be made the special order for Monday next, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

The motion prevailed.

Bill, No. 433, to repeal part of an act, passed January 27, 1854.

Passed its second reading.

Bill, No. 435, to amend the act of 1807, ch. 8, sec. 3, in relation to killing stock, &c.

Passed its second reading.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Dunnington, Burch, and Holmes, as the Committee to consider Bill, No. 432.

Bill, No. 437, for the benefit of Hawkins Lodge, No. 41, I. O. O. F.

Passed its second reading.

Bill, No. 443, to preserve the purity of elections in the various Internal Improvement Companies of this State,

Was withdrawn by Mr. Bullen, by leave of the House.

Bill, No. 447, to amend the act of 1852, chartering the Nashville and North-Western Railroad Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Mathis moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

Mr. Algee demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs Bobo, Cavitt, Cowden, Cox, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Mathis, Nixon, Northcutt, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—12.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Colquet, Davie, Dortch, Fielder, Fort, Gilbert, Harris, Holmes, Kinney, Massengill, Myatt, Newman, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Rudd, Shemwell, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—39.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	39

The motion failed.

The bill then passed its second reading.

Bill, No. 450, to promote Common Schools, was,

On motion of Mr. Newman,

Made the special order for Friday next.

Bill, 451, to prevent the separation of children from their mothers in the disposition of slaves,

Was taken up.

Mr. Dortch moved

To strike out so much of the bill as relates to the time when the act shall take effect.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Parks moved

To strike out "ten," and insert "seven years," where it occurs in the bill;

The motion failed.

Mr. Harris called for the previons question.

The House sustained the call.

Upon the passage of the bill, Mr. Cowden demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Harris, Holmes, Mabry, Parks, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Ward, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—16.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Cowden, Davie, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Gilbert, Gleaves, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Rudd, Shemwell, Stovall, Tompkins, Wallace, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—40.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	16
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	40

The bill was rejected.

Bill, No. 452, for the benefit of John Gaeren and J. M. Frenseley,

Was taken up.

Mr. Gilbert moved

To strike out the words "Benton country."

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Cowden offered an amendment for the benefit of John A. Roads, of the county of Giles.

Mr. Harris called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

Mr. Bobo moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Cavitt obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 453, to regulate the distribution of estates.

Bill, No. 454, to amend the charter of the Clarksville and Russellville Turnpike Road,

Passed its second reading.

Bill, No. 455, to form a School District out of a portion of Ruth-erford and Cannon counties.

Passed its second reading.

Bill, No. 458, to improve the West End of the Charlotte Turnpike Road,

Was rejected.

Bill, No. 459, for the benefit of collecting officers,

Was taken up.

Mr. Cox moved

A non-concurrence in the report of the Judiciary Committee.

The House refused to non-concur.

Upon the passage of the bill, Mr. Temple demanded the ayes noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Easterly, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Mabry, Myatt, Rudd, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Ward, Welcker, White, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—24.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Gilbert, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Shemwell, Stovall, Tompkins, Wallace, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—32.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	24
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	32

The bill was rejected.

Bill, No. 460, to divide the Academy Fund, of Smith county between Geneva Academy and Carthage Female Academy,

Passed its second reading.

Bill, No. 462, to incorporate the Knoxville Steam Mill Company,

Passed its second reading.

Bill, No. 468, to amend an act, passed 31st January, 1848, entitled An act to reduce the several acts incorporating the town of Nashville into one. and amend the same,

Passed its second reading.

Bill, No. 472, to incorporate the Trustees of the Presbytery of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

Passed its second reading.

Bill, No. 474, to extend the Criminal Laws,

Was taken up.

Mr. Gleaves offered an amendment including Jacks and Jennets in the list of articles enumerated in the bill.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill passed its second reading.

A Communication was received from the Committee appointed by the members of Eresophian and Agatheridan Societies of the University of Nashville, requesting the use of Representative Hall, on the evening of the 22d inst., to celebrate their Annual Commencement in.

Mr. Taylor moved

A suspension of the rule of the House, in order to comply with prayer of the petition.

The motion failed.

On motion,

The House adjourned till to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

THURSDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 14, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker presented the following communication from Sam. D. Morgan, President of the Commissioners of the Capitol, which was, on motion of Mr. Cavitt, received, and ordered to be spread upon the Journal :

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONERS FOR THE
ERECTION OF THE STATE CAPITOL,
February 13, 1856. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—The undersigned has just received at the hands of your Clerk, the copy of a resolution this day passed by the House over which you preside, requiring information as to “whether or not the State of Tennessee has had the services of Francis W. Strickland, as Assistant Architect of the State Capitol, and if so, for what time. Whether, or not, said services were unnecessary or essential to the proper conduct of the work on said building ; and the reason of their failure or refusal to compensate him for the same.” To which I have the honor of replying, that Mr. Strickland has never been employed by the Board of Commissioners as Assistant Architect, nor has the Board ever deemed it necessary to have the services of such an officer.

So far as my knowledge extends, no claim for compensation or salary to an Assistant Architect has ever been submitted to the Board of Commissioners for its action. If such claim had ever been presented, I have no hesitation in saying it would not have been paid ; because, in the first place, such an officer as Assistant Architect would, I am certain, have been considered entirely useless ; and finally, if such an officer had been deemed necessary or

proper, the Board would have elected or appointed one, and would have paid for his services monthly or weekly, as has been the usual practice of the Board in regard to all its employees.

Very respectfully,

SAM. D. MORGAN,

President Board of Commissioners on State Capitol.

Bill, No. 475, authorizing the County Court of Sumner county to appoint a railroad Commissioner for said county, &c.,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 477, to authorize J. McNeily, and Hugh Blair to build a dam across Little Pigeon River,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 478, to provide for holding Circuit and Chancery Courts in the counties of Marshall and Giles,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 479, to regulate the fees of Coroners,

Was taken up.

Mr. Bullen offered an amendment, providing that when an Attorney General shall file more than two indictments for an offence of the same nature against the same person, at the same term of the court, he shall only be entitled to his tax fee in two cases when the county has to pay the costs.

Mr. Smith moved

To strike out "ten" dollars, and insert "five," where it occurs in the bill.

The motion failed.

Mr. Kimble moved

To amend by including Sheriffs and deputies in the provisions of the bill.

Mr. Smith moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

The motion failed.

Mr. Holmes offered an amendment, prescribing the manner of taking bonds of Coroners.

Mr. Kimble's amendment was adopted.

Mr. Bullen moved

To refer the bill and amendments to the Select Committee on the subject of Fees.

The motion prevailed.

Bill, No. 481, to amend an act passed 1835, chapter 15,

Was rejected.

Mr. Cavitt entered a motion to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 458, to improve the West End of the Charlotte Turnpike Road.

The special order was called for and taken up, being Bill, No. 267, to amend the practice in the County Courts in this State, and the bill in lieu, reported by the Select Committee, entitled A bill to create and regulate the office of County Judge.

The bill in lieu was adopted.

Mr. Galbreath moved to amend, by providing that the Judge shall ho'd his office until the regular election in March, 1860, and until his successor is elected and qualified.

Mr. Shemwell offered an amendment to the fifth section of the bill, dispensing with the courts to be held by the County Judge in the months of January, April, July, and October.

Mr. Hatton offered an amendment in lieu of the fifth section, of the bill, after the word "month" in said section.

Mr. Shemwell withdrew his amendment.

Mr. Donelson offered an amendment, providing that the County Judge shall not be incompetent to practice in the Circuit, Criminal, Chancery and Supreme Courts of this State.

Mr. Galbreath's amendment was adopted.

Mr. Cavitt, moved

To fill the blank in the second section, with "the first Saturday in May, 1856."

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Tipton moved to lay Mr. Hatton's amendment on the table.

The motion failed.

Mr. Hatton's amendment was adopted.

Mr. Donelson's amendment was adopted.

Mr. Brazelton offered an amendment, striking out from the ninth section the words "while engaged in the discharge of his duties," and inserting "during the sitting of this court."

Mr. Fielder offered an amendment in lieu of Mr. Brazelton's amendment, giving the Judge three dollars per day during the sessions of his court.

Mr. Stovall moved to lay Mr. Fielder's amendment on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Galbreath moved to lay Mr. Brazelton's amendment on the table. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Hatton moved

To strike out from the 9th section of the bill the words "for his services," and the words "while engaged in the discharge of his duties," and to insert in lieu of the latter phrase, "during the sitting of the monthly and quarterly courts."

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Meek offered an amendment to the sixth section of the bill, allowing either party to appeal from any judgment, order or decree of the County Judge.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Dortch called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Colquett, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Little, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Parks, Runnels, Rudd, Shemwell, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis,

Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson or Marshall Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—42.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Carmichael, Davie, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Smith, Stovall, Tipton, Wallace, Whiteside, and Wood of Cannon—27.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	42
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27

On motion of Mr. Brown, of Madison,

The bill was ordered to be transmitted at once to the Senate.

Mr. Parks, by leave of the House, introduced Resolution, No. 163, as follows :

Resolved, That Messrs. Dodge and Wenderoth, photographic artists, are hereby invited to take a photographic miniature of the Hall of the House of Representatives at any time which will suit their convenience, and that the Doorkeepers are requested to extend to said gentlemen the necessary conveniences and facilities.

On motion,

The rule was suspended and the resolution adopted.

Bill, No. 465, to amend the act of 1852, chapter 300,

Was taken up.

Mr. Galbreath moved

To change the caption of the bill by striking out " 1852, chapter 300," and inserting " 1854, chapter 50.

The motion prevailed.

The bill then passed second reading.

Mr. White returned Bill, No. 392, to transfer the State stock in the East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad, to the Knoxville and Kentucky Railroad Company, heretofore withdrawn by him, with a bill in lieu.

The bill in lieu was adopted.

Pending discussion on which, the following communication, from J. B. Lindsley, Dean of the Faculty of the Nashville University, was received :

NASHVILLE, Feb. 14, 1856.

Prof. Eve will deliver a lecture this evening, at 7 o'clock, "on some of the Curiosities of Surgery."

The members of the House are respectfully invited to visit the Medical College on this occasion.

J. B. LINDSLEY, Dean of the Faculty.

Hon. NEILL S. BROWN, Speaker of the House.

On motion of Mr. Ward,

The invitation was accepted.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Davie moved

To suspend the unfinished business, in order to take up Bill, No. 68, to amend the Free Banking Law, with a view of acting on Senate amendment to the same.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Davie moved

A concurrence in Senate amendments ; which motion prevailed, by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—57.

Noes—Messrs. Brown of Madison, Cavitt, Colquet, Mathis, Pogue, Pope, and Ward—7.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	57
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7

On motion of Mr. Davie,

It was ordered that the Senate be immediately informed of the action of the House in the premises.

On motion of Mr. Tompkins,

Bill, No. 132, to amend the charter of the Nashville and Middle Franklin Turnpike Company, and for other purposes,

Was taken up, and the Senate amendments to the same were concurred in.

The House then resumed the consideration of the unfinished business of the morning, being Bill, No. 392, to transfer the State stock in the East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad to the Knoxville and Kentucky Railroad Company.

Mr. Rudd offered an amendment transferring two hundred thousand dollars of the State stock mentioned in the bill to the Tennessee Western and Charleston Railroad Company.

Mr. Richey offered an amendment appropriating ——— thousand dollars to connect the Chattanooga Railroad with the East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad on the soil of Tennessee.

Mr. Looney moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

Mr. Fielder moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill and amendments, and demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, Cox, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Kimble, Little, Massengill, Mathis, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—31.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Carmichael, Cook, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Easterly, Gleaves, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Parks, Runnels, Rudd, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—31.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31

The motion failed.

Mr. Bullen called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

Upon the passage of the bill, Mr. Nixon demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Carmichael, Davie, Dortch, Easterly, Fort, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Meek, Newman, Runnels, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—23.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Cook, Cowden, Cox, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Kimble, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—42.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	42

The bill was rejected.

Mr. Newman asked leave to change his vote.

The House refused to grant him the permission.

Mr. Newman then gave notice of his intention to enter a protest.

On motion of Mr. Stovall,

The House took up bills on third reading.

Bill, No. 4, to abolish military duty,

Was taken up.

The bill in lieu, recommended by the Committee on Military Affairs,

Was adopted.

The bill in lieu was then withdrawn by Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, by leave of the House.

Bill, No. 121, to prohibit the adulterating of spirituous or vinous liquors in this State, &c.,

Was taken up.

The bill in lieu, offered by Mr. Colquet,

Was adopted.

Mr. Stovall offered an amendment, exempting the manufacture of this State from the provisions of the bill.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill then passed third reading, by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Bullen, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Cox, DeWitt, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Pope, Runnels, Rudd, Shemwell, Stovall, Taylor, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, White, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—40.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brazelton, Burch, Cavitt, Cowden, Davie, Dortch, Easterly, Fort, Harris, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Richey, Smith, Temple, Tipton, Wallace, Welcker, Whiteside, and Wilson of Carroll—21.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21

Bill, No. 128, to provide for the punishment of persons interfering with trains on railroads,

Was taken up.

Mr. Mathis moved

To strike out so much of the bill as relates to the time of its taking effect.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Hatton moved

To strike out from the first section the words "if damage result therefrom."

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Hatton offered an amendment striking out so much of the bill as imposes imprisonment as a penalty, and inserting after the word "substance," in the first section, the words "calculated to do injury to the train or persons thereon."

The amendment was adopted, and the bill passed third reading by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, and Wood of Hardeman—43.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Colquet, Cowden, Easterly, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mathis, Newman, North-

cutt, Shemwell, Stovall, Travis, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—19.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	42
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19

Mr. Holmes obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 131, guaranteeing the payment by the State of certain bonds, issued and to be issued by the city of Memphis, for amendment.

Bill, No. 138, to alter the county line of Maury and Marshall, &c., Was taken up.

Mr. Cowden called the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill then passed third reading.

Bill, No. 148, to amend the charter of the Strawberry Plains College,

Was taken up.

Mr. Runnels obtained leave to withdraw the amendment heretofore offered by him to the bill, and adopted by the House.

The bill was then rejected by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Carlock, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, Gleaves, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Massengill, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—29.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bobo, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gilbert, Harris, Mabry, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—32.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32

Bill, No. 198, for the benefit of the citizens of Scott county, Was taken up.

Mr. Tipton called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill was then rejected by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Davie, Easterly, Fielder, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Pope, Rudd, Tipton, Wallace, and Mr. Speaker Brown—19.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Cook, Cowden, Cox, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Fort, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Little, Mathis, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—42.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	42

Mr. Tipton entered a motion to reconsider the vote passing Bill, No. 138, to alter the county line between Maury and Marshall.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Gallaway, on account of sickness.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 15, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported on Bills, Nos. 121, 233, 267, 362, 368, and 377,

As correctly engrossed ;

And on Bills, Nos. 68, 76, and 159,

As correctly enrolled.

Mr. Gilbert called up the motion heretofore entered, to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 458, to improve the west end of the Charlotte Turnpike Road.

Mr. Harris called for the previous question on the motion to reconsider.

The House sustained the call.

The motion to reconsider failed.

Mr. Looney returned Resolution, No. 145, heretofore withdrawn by him for amendment.

Mr. Cox called up the motion heretofore entered, to reconsider the vote passing on third and last reading, Bill, No. 138, to alter the county line between the counties of Maury and Marshall.

Mr. Bullen called for the previous question on the motion.

The House sustained the call.

The House then reconsidered the vote.

The House then, on motion, reconsidered the vote sustaining the previous question on the passage of the bill.

Mr. Cox moved

To strike out so much of the bill as so alters the dividing line between counties of Wilson and Davidson, as to include the farm of P. C. Shute, in Wilson county.

Mr. Temple called for the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly,

Fielder, Fort, Gallaway, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Stovall, Temple, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown --50.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Cook, DeWitt, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Looney, Pope, Smith, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Ward, and Wilson of Marshall—14.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Cox called the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill then passed third reading.

Mr. Dortch, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported as follows:

MR. SPEAKER :

The Committee to whom were referred House Bills, Nos. 648 and 309, together with the various amendments, have had the same under consideration, and recommend a bill in lieu of House Bill, No. 64, entitled A bill to amend the revenue laws of this State, and to provide for a proper assessment, and recommend its passage.

W. B. DORTCH,
Chairman.

The bill in lieu offered by the Committee was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Galbreath,

Seventy-five copies were ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

On motion of Mr. Harris, the bill was made the special order for Monday, the 18th inst., at 7½ o'clock.

Mr. Mathis called up the motion heretofore entered by him, to reconsider the vote rejecting Senate Bill, No. 29; to repeal the act of 1852, to authorize and regulate the business of banking.

Mr. Donelson demanded the ayes and noes on the motion to reconsider :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Bullen, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gleaves, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Smith, and Wilson of Marshall—20.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Car-

roll, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—45.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	45

Mr. Brazelton entered a motion

To reconsider the vote indefinitely postponing Bill, No. 315, for the benefit of F. W. Strickland, &c.

The motion was taken up by the House.

Upon the motion to reconsider, Mr. Stovall demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Looney, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Rudd, Taylor, Temple, Ward, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—26.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—40.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40

The motion failed.

Mr. Tipton moved

To take up House Bills amended in the Senate.

The motion failed.

Bill, No. 93, for the relief of the heirs of Samuel Saffell, dec'd, Was taken up, and Senate amendment to the same concurred in.

Bill, No. 146, to amend the act of 1825, ch. 56,

Was taken up.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, moved

To amend the Senate's amendment to the bill, by including the three Registers of the Land Office within the provisions of the bill, and thus amended to concur with the Senate's amendment.

The motion prevailed by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fielder, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Holmes, Kimble, Little, Looney, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Taylor, Tompkins, Travis, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—44.

Noes—Messrs. Bullen, Cavitt, Colquet, Donelson, Easterly, Gil-

bert, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, and Wallace—17.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	44
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	17

Bill, No. 150, to incorporate the Nashville and Memphis United States Mail Packet Line, &c.,

Was taken up, and Senate's amendments thereto concurred in.

Bill, No. 175, to authorize Wm. H. Guy and others to build a turnpike road, &c.,

Was taken up, and Senate's amendment thereto concurred in.

Bill, No. 201, to amend the act to secure the completion of turnpike roads in Smith, Wilson, and Sumner counties, by State credit,

Was taken up, and Senate's amendment thereto concurred in.

Bill, No. 335, to change the time of holding the Chancery Court at Elizabethton,

Was taken up, and Senate's amendment thereto concurred in.

Bill, No. 287, to extend the corporate limits of the town of Bolivar, and for the benefit of the town of Henryville, in the county of Lawrence,

Was taken up.

Mr. Parks moved

To amend the Senate's amendments, by extending its provisions to the town Constable of the town of Trenton.

Mr. Dortch moved

To amend, by including the town Constables of the towns of Somerville and LaGrange.

Mr. Stovall moved

To amend, by including the town Constable of the town of Troy.

The various amendments were adopted, and the Senate's amendments, as amended, were concurred in, and the bill ordered to be again transmitted to the Senate at once.

Bill, No. 116, to amend the practice in the trial of criminal causes, and for other purposes,

Was taken up.

Mr. Mathis moved

A non-concurrence in Senate's amendment to the bill, amendatory of the law in regard to the title of slaves sold by order of County, Circuit, and Chancery Courts of this State;

Upon which motion the vote was as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Thomas, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—46.

Noes—Messrs. Bullen, Cavitt, Donelson, Mabry, Newman, Smith, Stovall, Taylor, Tipton, Tompkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, and Wood of Cannon—13.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	46
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13

The motion prevailed.

Senate Bill, No. 55, authorizing the transfer of suits in Chancery, between the citizens of Meigs county, from the courts at Athens, Cleveland, and Harrison, to the court at Decatur.

Was taken up, and the Senate's amendments to House amendments to the same were concurred in.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Burch,

Senate bills on third reading were taken up.

Senate Bill, No. 56, to authorize the election of additional Justices of the Peace in certain cases,

Was taken up.

Mr. Parks offered an amendment, giving securities the remedy of judgment by motion in County Courts, as is now given in Circuit and Chancery Courts.

Mr. Thomas offered an amendment, making allowance for Justices of Peace, and officers and guards, in cases of trial, for commitment of felonies.

The amendments were adopted.

Mr. Cox offered an amendment, providing that Circuit Judges may, in certain cases, transfer equity causes from the Circuit to the Chancery Courts.

Mr. Cook offered an amendment, authorizing Clerks and Masters to issue writs of attachment in certain cases.

The amendments were adopted.

On motion of Mr. Mathis,

So much of the bill was stricken out as provides for its going into effect from and after its passage.

The bill was then rejected by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Carlock, Cook, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Holmes, Little, Parks, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—27.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Shemwell, Smith, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—36.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36

Mr. Cowden moved

To reconsider the vote of rejection.

The House reconsidered the vote.

Mr. Gilbert offered an amendment, making Justices of the Peace liable for all judgments to which they accept of an illegal stayor.

Mr. Galbreath moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Rudd called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill was again rejected, by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Carlock, Cavitt, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Parks, Pope, Runnels, Rudd, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—31.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—34.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34

Senate Bill, No. 66, to incorporate the Jackson Building and Association Company, &c.

Was taken up.

Mr. Burch offered an amendment incorporating the Robertson Association, of the city of Nashville ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Thomas offered an amendment incorporating the Brownsville Building and Loan Association ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, offered an amendment incorporating the Jackson Mechanics' Institute and Library Association ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Harris offered an amendment incorporating the Jonesboro Building and Loan Association ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Tompkins offered an amendment chartering the Murfreesboro and Las Casas Turnpike Road ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, offered an amendment incorporating the Rowena and Nashville Coal Company ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Armstrong offered an amendment incorporating the Rialto Bridge Company ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Ball offered an amendment amending the act of 1821, authorizing John A. McKinney to erect a mill-dam on the Holston River, extending further privileges to said McKinney, &c.

On motion of Mr. Tipton,

The amendment was laid on the table.

Mr. Burch offered an amendment incorporating the Hamilton Manufacturing Company ;

Also, the Chattanooga Mechanics' Institute ;

Which were adopted.

Upon the passage of the bill, Mr. Galbreath called for ayes and noes :

Ayes--Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Burch, Carlock, Cowden, Cox, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Easterly, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Rudd, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—42.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Cavitt, Colquet, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Mathis, Newman, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Travis, Wallace, and Wood of Cannon—17.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	42
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17

The bill, as amended, passed its third reading.

Senate Bill, No. 76, to divide and equally apportion the Academy Fund of Jefferson county, between the Maury Academy and the Dandridge Female Academy,

Was taken up.

Mr. Harris offered an amendment incorporating the Male and Female Institute, of Boon's Creek ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Ward obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 460, to divide the Academy Fund of Smith county between Geneva Academy and Carthage Female Academy,

And offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration ;
Which was adopted.

Mr. Kimble offered an amendment authorizing the County Court of Decatur county to appoint a Board of Trustees for Decaturville Female Academy ;

Which was adopted.

And the bill, thus amended, passed its third reading.

Senate Bill, No. 157, for the benefit of Kinsloe and Brother, was,
On motion of Mr. Newman,

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

The following Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Senate has amended, and passed on third reading, House bills as follows, to wit :

No. 100, authorizing Surveyors to swear jurors, witnesses, and chain-carriers.

No. 116, to amend the practices in the trial of Criminal causes, and for other purposes.

No. 287, to extend the corporate limits of the town of Bolivar, and for the benefit of the town of Henryville, in the county of Lawrence.

And the same are herewith transmitted for concurrence

The Senate has amended House amendment to Senate Bill, No. 55, entitled

A bill authorizing the transfer of suits in Chancery between citizens of Meigs county, from the Courts at Athens, Cleveland and Harrison, to the Court at Decatur,

Which amendment establishes a Chancery Court at Clinton, in Anderson county.

And the same is herewith transmitted for concurrence.

The Senate has also concurred in the remaining House amendments to said bill,

And also, concurred in House amendments to Senate bills, as follows :

No. 183, a bill for the benefit of the railroad tax payers of Davidson county.

No. 47, incorporating the Synod of West Tennessee.

No. 43, to amend the charter of the Shelbyville, Flat Creek, Mulberry and Fayetteville Turnpike Company.

No. 120, to incorporate the town of Cookeville, in the county of Putnam.

No. 74, to empower Constables to swear jurors of view.

And the said bills have been ordered to be enrolled

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts as follows, and the same have been deposited with the Secretary of State :

To amend the Free Banking Law.

To incorporate the Rosetta Mining and Smelting Company, the Harrison and Hamilton Mining and Manufacturing Company, and the Citizens' Coal Company of Nashville.

To incorporate the McMinnville and Sparta Turnpike Company.

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts as follows, and the same are herewith transmitted for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

To secure the widow her dower in certain cases.

An act for collecting debts against counties.

An act to amend the charter of the Hyde's Ferry Turnpike Company.

Senate Bill, No. 160, to authorize the construction of a railroad from the town of Shelbyville to the line of the State of Alabama, via Lewisburg and Pulaski,

Was taken up.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, offered an amendment to the fifth section ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Newman offered an amendment, amendatory to the charter of the Rutledge Railroad ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Cowden moved

A concurrence in the report of the Committee on Internal Improvements, recommending that the 16th, 17th, and 18th sections be stricken out.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Rudd offered an amendment, authorizing certain counties to take stock in railroad companies, and to issue bonds of the county for the same ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Bullen offered an amendment, providing that the stock subscribed by the county of Claiborne to the Cumberland Gap and Charleston Railroad, shall not be expended out of the limits of the county.

On motion of Mr. Carmichael,

The amendment was laid on the table.

The bill then passed second reading.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 7 o'clock, to-night.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Hatton moved

To postpone the two bills on the subject of common schools, till Tuesday at 10 o'clock, A. M.

The motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Carlock,

Senate bills on first reading were taken up.

Senate Bill, No. 34, to amend the general incorporation laws of this State, and to retrench the expenses of legislation,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 36, to establish a Criminal Court at the city of Knoxville,

Passed first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Senate Bill, No. 57, to establish the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit,

Passed first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

On motion of Mr. Hatton,

House Bill, No. 503, to establish the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit,

Was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Senate Bill, No. 88, to settle law of sales in equity,

Passed first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Senate Bill, No. 110, to authorize and regulate the pay of the Messenger of the Senate.

Passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Senate Bill, No. 125, to provide for the general enlargement of the State Library, and for the custody of the same,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 118, to amend the acts incorporating the town of Gallatin, in the county of Sumner,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 129, to abolish military duty in this State,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 144, for the benefit of Huntsville Academy, in Scott county,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 173, to extend the corporate limits of Vernon, in Hickman county, &c.,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 190, to change the line between the counties of White and Putnam,

Was taken up.

Mr. Little offered an amendment, changing the line between the counties of Bedford and Marshall.

The amendment was adopted, and the bill passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 191, to change the line between the counties of Campbell and Scott,

Was taken up.

Mr. Ball offered an amendment, changing the line between the counties of Claiborne and Union.

The amendment was adopted, and the bill passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 193, to provide for the payment of costs in prosecutions against slaves,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 196, to provide for the paying of Magistrates for services at the quarterly courts,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 197, defining the duties of the Commissioner of Roads,

Passed first reading, and was referred to Committee on Internal Improvements.

Senate Bill, No. 198, to amend the charter of the Nashville and Cincinnati Railroad Company, and the acts amendatory thereto,

Passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Senate Bill, No. 202, to establish the town of Centreville as a Common School District,

Passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 204, to amend the charter of the Atlantic, Tennessee and Ohio Railroad,

Passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Senate Bill, No. 211, supplemental to an act passed 27th February, 1852, entitled An act to prescribe the mode of choosing electors to vote for President and Vice President of the United States,

Passed first reading.

On motion,

House Bills on second reading were taken up.

Bill, No. 436, to incorporate the Covington and Sharon Railroad Company, &c.,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 482, to charter the Huntingdon and Rockport Turnpike Road Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Hatton offered an amendment, authorizing the Lebanon and Nashville Turnpike Company to sell a portion of their road to the corporate authorities of the city of Nashville.

The amendment was adopted,

Mr. Nixon moved

To strike out "Rockport" where it occurs in the bill, and insert "Willspoint" in lieu.

Mr. Nixon's motion was,

On motion of Mr. Carmichael,

Laid on the table.

The bill then passed second reading.

Bill, No. 483, to confer upon the Common Law and Circuit Courts of Tennessee, jurisdiction in cases of salvage,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 485, to appropriate \$1500 to Clifton College in Wayne county, &c.,

Was taken up.

Mr. Galbreath offered an amendment, appropriating \$2000 to the Trustees of Montpelier Academy, in Jackson county.

The amendment was adopted.

Upon the passage of the bill,

Mr. Newman demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Bartlett, Cox, Davie, Easterly, Galbreath, Looney, Meek, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Taylor, Thomas, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—14.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Fort, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Parks, Runnels, Shemwell, Stovall, Tipton, Tompkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—33.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33

Mr. Shemwell moved

To adjourn till 9 o'clock to-morrow morning, for want of a quorum.

The motion prevailed, and the House adjourned, it then being 10 minutes after 9 o'clock.

SATURDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 16, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported on Bills, Nos. 128, 138, and 202,

As correctly engrossed ;

And on Bills, Nos. 93, 132, and 335,

As correctly enrolled.

Mr. Mabry entered a motion

To reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 481, to amend an act passed 1835, ch. 15.

The House then resumed the unfinished business of last night, being Bill, No. 485, to appropriate \$1500 to the Trustees of Clifton College, in Wayne county, &c.

The bill was rejected by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Easterly, Galbreath, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—14.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Parks, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—49.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	14
Noes,	-	-	-	-	49

Bill, No. 306, to provide for the election of a Justice of the Peace in Rome,

Was taken up.

Mr. Galbreath offered an amendment, extending the provisions of the bill to the town of Flynn's Lick.

The amendment was adopted,

And the bill passed second reading.

Mr. Newman moved

To transmit all bills, both Senate House, which have been finally acted on, to the Senate.

Mr. Tipton called up Resolution, No. 156, in relation to night sessions.

Mr. Tipton moved

To strike out the "13th," and insert the "18th."

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Galbreath moved

To strike out so much as excepts Saturday nights.

Mr. Bullen called the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

Mr. Cavitt called for the ayes and noes on the adoption of the resolution :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Parks, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—40.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, DeWitt, Dunnington, Easterly, Fort, Gallaway, Gilbert, Gleaves, Hatton, Looney, Nixon, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Shemwell, Ward, Welcker, Whiteside, and Wood of Cannon—24.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24

The resolution was adopted.

The House then proceeded to the special order, being Senate Bill, No. 126, to amend the act authorizing the extension of the Memphis and Charleston Railroad, and for other purposes, &c.

The bill passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Easterly, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—44.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brazelton, Cowden, Donelson, Gilbert, Hatton, Kimble, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Pogue, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—21.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	44
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21

Bill, No. 464, to settle and establish the line between Shelby and Tipton counties,

Was taken up.

The report of the Committee on New Counties and County Lines,

Was concurred in.

Mr. Holmes moved

To strike out all of the 1st section after the word "counties."

Mr. Fielder called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

Mr. Holmes demanded the ayes and noes on the passage of the bill :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Campbell, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—49.

Noes—Messrs. Bartlett, Carlock, Cowden, Cox, Dortch, Gallaway, Hatton, Holmes, Looney, Meek, White, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—13.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	49
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13

The bill passed second reading.

Bill, No. 487, to incorporate the town of Clifton,

Was taken up.

Mr. Dortch offered an amendment extending the corporate limits of the town of LaGrange.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill then passed second reading.

Bill, No. 488, for the benefit of citizens living near railroads.

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 494, for the sale of the Memphis Hospital grounds and buildings, and for other purposes.

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 495, for the benefit of the East Tennessee Hospital,
Was passed informally.

Bill, No. 496, amendatory of the quart law,

Was taken up.

Mr. Bullen offered a bill in lieu.

Mr. Carmichael called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, moved

To reconsider the vote sustaining the call.

The motion failed, and the House refused to reconsider.

Mr. Bullen demanded the ayes and noes on the passage of the bill:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cook, Cox, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Holmes, Little, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Richey, Rudd, Stovall, Taylor, Wallace, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—29.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, DeWitt, Easterly, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Shemwell, Smith, Travis, Whiteside, and Wood of Hardeman—24.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24

The bill passed second reading.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Bill, No. 497, for the benefit of merchants,

Was withdrawn by Mr. Richey, by leave of the House.

Bill, No. 498, for the benefit of E. Lee, a citizen of Decatur county.

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 500, to do justice to accommodation endorsers,

Was taken up.

Mr. Dortch moved

To strike out the second section.

The motion prevailed.

The bill then passed second reading.

Bill, No. 501, to establish a system of keeping up the public roads,

Was taken up.

Mr. Mathis moved

To strike out $2\frac{1}{2}$ and insert $1\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.

Mr. Tipton moved

To lay the bill on the table.

Mr. Mathis demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Bobo, Brown of Madison, Burch, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Dortch, Fielder, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Kinney, Little, Looney, Meek, Newman, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Smith, Thomas, Tipton, Travis, Wallace, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—29.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bullen, Carlock, Cowden, Davie, Easterly, Galbreath, Holmes, Kimble, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Runnels, Richey, Shemwell, Tompkins, Whiteside, and Wood of Cannon—21.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29
Noes,	-	.	-	-	-	-	-	-	21

The motion prevailed.

Bill, No. 506, to regulate the duties of Trustees and Assignees,
Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 508, to charter the Strawberry Plains, Dandridge, and Newport Railroad Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Newman moved

To strike out so much of the bill as grants State aid.

Mr. Meek demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Dortch, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Kimble, Little, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Shemwell, Smith, Thomas, Tompkins,

Travis, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—34.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bullen, Carlock, Carmichael, Cox, Davie, Easterly, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Richey, Rudd, Tipton Wallace, Welcker, and White—22.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22

The motion prevailed.

The bill then passed second reading.

Bill, No. 510, to prevent obstructions in running streams, and their becoming nuisances,

Was taken up.

Mr. Gilbert offered a bill in lieu, authorizing the changing of the channel of Duck River, in White Horse Bend.

Mr. Gilbert also presented a petition from citizens of Humphreys county, praying for such authority, and State aid to carry it out.

The bill in lieu contained no State aid.

The bill in lieu was adopted and passed second reading.

Bill, No. 513, to prevent the abduction of young females,

Was withdrawn by Mr. Richey for amendment.

Bill, No. 515, for the benefit of David R. Johnson,

Was taken up.

Mr. Cox withdrew Bill, No. 444, for the relief of the securities of John J. Hinton, by leave of the House, and offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill then passed second reading.

Bill, No. 517, to prescribe the duties of Circuit Court Judges in this State,

Was taken up.

Mr. Wallace offered an amendment, giving grand juries inquisitorial powers in all cases.

Mr. Mathis moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

The motion failed.

Mr. Bullen called for the previous question, and demanded the ayes and noes on the call:

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Carlock, Colquet, Cox, Easterly, Fielder, Gilbert, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Parks, Richey, Shemwell, Tipton, Travis, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—27.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Burch, Cavitt, Colburn, Cowden, Dortch, Galaway, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Nixon, Pogue, Runnels, Smith, Tompkins, Wallace, Wilson of Carroll, and Wilson of Marshall—24.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24

The House sustained the call.

The bill then passed second reading.

Bill, No. 495, for the benefit of the East Tennessee Hospital,
Was taken up.

Mr. Smith demanded the ayes and noes, on the passage of the bill:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Colburn, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Easterly, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Welcker, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—32.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gilbert, Kimble, Little, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Smith, Thomas, Travis, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—24.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24

The bill passed second reading.

Bill, No. 516, for the relief of James R. Taylor,

Passed second reading, and was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Bill, No. 518, for the promotion of the cause of temperance, in the county of Scott,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 519, for the building a bridge across Obed's River, in Morgan county,

Was taken up.

Mr. Newman moved

To strike out so much of the bill as grants State aid.

Mr. Galbreath moved

To lay the motion to strike out on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Dortch called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

Mr. Mathis demanded the ayes and noes, on the passage of the bill:

Ayes.—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Carlock, Carmichael, Colburn, Davie, Easterly, Galbreath, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Richey, Rudd, Tipton, Wallace, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—27.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, Dortch, Fielder, Gallaway, Gilbert, Harris, Hatton, Little, Mathis, Newman, Nixon,

Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Shemwell, Smith, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—33.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33

The bill was rejected.

Mr. Carlock entered a motion to reconsider the vote striking out the 16th, 17th, and 18th sections of Senate bill, No. 160. to authorize the construction of a railroad from the town of Shelbyville to the State line of Alabama *via* Lewisburg and Pulaski.

Mr. Nixon moved

That the House adjourn until 9 o'clock, Monday morning.

The motion failed.

Bill, No. 520, for the relief of Larkin Cardin,

Was taken up.

The report of the Committee on Claims was concurred in, and the bill passed second reading.

Mr. Rudd entered a motion to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 392, to transfer the State stock in the East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad to the Knoxville and Kentucky Railroad.

Bill, No. 522, to punish the fraudulent issue and transfer of certificates of stock in incorporated companies,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 523, to provide for the printing of the revised Statutes for the use of the General Assembly,

Was withdrawn by Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, by leave of the House.

Bill, No. 524, to prevent the selling, loaning, or giving deadly weapons to minors,

Was taken up.

Mr. Pogue offered an amendment, amendatory of the criminal laws of this State in regard to maliciously cutting saddles, saddlebags, or destroying the same, and sinking of boats and other water crafts &c., &c.

Mr. Kinney called the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill then passed second reading.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER :

The Senate has passed, on third and last reading, House Bill, No. 330, entitled

A bill to aid in constructing a railroad from Chattanooga to the East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad, and for the benefit of the East Tennessee and Virginia Railroad, after amending the same;

Which amendments are herewith transmitted for the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 9 o'clock, Monday morning.

MONDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 18, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported on Bills, Nos. 150, 175, and 201, as correctly enrolled.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER:—

The Senate has amended and passed on third reading, House Bills as follows:

No. 200, to amend the charter of the Knoxville and Charleston Railroad Company, and for other purposes.

No. 194, to amend the 22d section of an act entitled

An act to incorporate the Merchants' Library Association of Fayetteville, and to reduce the several acts incorporating the town of Jackson into one, and amend the same.

No. 167, to authorize the establishment of the Memphis Water Works Company, and to incorporate the Sumner Manufacturing Company, and to incorporate a Law School in the city of Memphis.

No. 206, to incorporate the Hibernia Mining Company, and for other purposes.

The Senate insists upon its amendment to House Bill, No. 82, entitled

A bill to amend the act of 1817, chap. 54, sec. 1 and 2, and the act of 1823, chap. 21, sec. 1, and the act of 1835, chap. 17, sec. 4, regulating motions against Constables and their securities, and to prescribe fees of officers in certain cases.

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts as follows, and the same have been deposited with the Secretary of State:

To change the time of holding the Chancery Court at Elizabeth-

ton, and to attach Lauderdale county to the Eleventh Judicial Circuit.

For the relief of the heirs of Samuel Saffel, deceased.

To amend the charter of the Nashville and Middle Franklin Turnpike Company, and to incorporate the Cainesville and Pleasant Valley Turnpike Company, and for other purposes.

The Senate has passed, on third and last reading, House Bill, No. 185, entitled

A bill to prevent incompetent persons from teaching free schools.

And has concurred in House amendments to Senate amendment to House Bill, No. 261, entitled

A bill to incorporate the Tennessee Female College, and the Buchanan College at Winchester.

And has passed, on third reading, House Bill, No. 248, entitled

A bill authorizing Grand Juries to send for witnesses in certain cases.

And has concurred in House amendment to Senate amendment to House Bill, No. 287, entitled

A bill to extend the corporate limits of the town of Bolivar, and for the benefit of the town of Henryville, in the county of Lawrence.

And the same are herewith returned for enrollment.

Mr. Cavitt called up Resolution, No. 148, in relation to an alteration of the Constitution of the State in regard to the extension of State aid, heretofore introduced by him.

Upon the adoption of the resolution,

Mr. Cavitt demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Bobo, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Cavitt, Colburn, Donelson, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Kimble, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Travis, Whiteside, and Wood of Cannon—22.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Harris, Holmes, Kirney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, Mr. Speaker Brown—38.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	22.
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Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	38
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The resolution was rejected.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, presented a petition from sundry citizens of Marshall, Williamson, and Rutherford counties, praying for the formation of a new county.

Mr. Mathis introduced Resolution, No. 161, as follows:

Resolved, That the House of Representatives tender their thanks to the Clergy of the city of Nashville, and more especially to those who attended at the meetings of the House of Representatives, and opened its deliberations with prayer.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, moved

To amend, by striking out the words, "and more especially to those."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Looney moved

To lay the resolution on the table.

The motion failed.

The resolution, as amended, was adopted.

Mr. Wallace obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 415, to change the name of Ross Preswell to that of Ross Hurst, for amendment.

Mr. Dortch moved

To take up Bill, No. 290, to amend the charter of the Knoxville and Charlestown Railroad Company, and for other purposes, with a view of acting upon Senate's amendments thereto.

The motion prevailed, and the bill was taken up.

Mr. Dortch moved

A concurrence in Senate's amendments.

The motion prevailed, and the amendments were concurred in.

Mr. Richey returned Bill, No. 513, to prevent the abduction of young females, with a bill in lieu.

Mr. Cavitt offered a bill in lieu.

Mr. Newman moved

To lay the bill and bill in lieu on the table.

The motion failed.

Mr. Gilbert moved

To take up bill, No. 510.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Burch moved

To postpone Bill, No. 432, to regulate banking in this State, till 2 o'clock, to-morrow evening.

The motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Galbreath,

House bills on third reading were taken up.

Bill No. 141, to amend the Common School Laws of this State, Was made the special order for to-morrow at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Bill, No. 211, to amend section 1, chapter 103, of the act of 1850, passed February 8, 1850,

Passed third reading by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquett, Colburn, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Fielder, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, Mr. Speaker Brown—51.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Burch, Cavitt, Cowden, Donelson, Galbreath, Gilbert, and Gallaway—8.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	51
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8

Bill, No. 217, to amend an act passed 9th February, 1850, chapter 170,

Was withdrawn by Mr. Thomas.

Bill, No. 249½, to amend the charter of the Columbia and Hampshire Turnpike Company,

Was taken up.

The bill in lieu, offered by Mr. Looney, was adopted.

Mr. Travis offered an amendment, for the benefit of the Memphis and Ohio Railroad Company.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Hatton offered an amendment, amendatory of the charter of the Nashville and Cincinnati Railroad Company.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Parks offered an amendment, amendatory of the amendment of Mr. Travis, providing that the Memphis and Ohio Railroad Company should comply with the sixth section of the act passed at the present session of the General Assembly, amending the charter of the Nashville and North-Western Railroad Company.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Rudd offered an amendment, extending two years' further time to the Tennessee, Western, and Charleston Railroad Company to bring themselves within the provisions of the Internal Improvement acts of this State.

Mr. Tipton offered an amendment, for the benefit of the Atlantic, Charleston, and Ohio Railroad Company.

Mr. Mathis moved

A reconsideration of the vote adopting Mr. Hatton's amendment.

Mr. Hatton demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Bobo, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Gilbert, Holmes, Kimble, Mathis, Nixon, Pope, Shemwell, Stovall, Thomas, Travis, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—25.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Colquet, Cook, Cox, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Masengill, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Rudd, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—36.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36

The House refused to reconsider.

Mr. Travis moved

To reconsider the vote adopting his amendment.

On motion of Mr. Meek,

The House took a recess of five minutes, preparatory to meeting the Senate in Convention, for the purpose of electing a Register of the Land Office for West Tennessee.

After the lapse of five minutes the House was called to order, and the Speaker and members of the Senate were received within the bar of the House.

In Convention.

The Convention was called to order by the President.

Nomination being in order,

Mr. Brown, of Madison, nominated John M. Morrill, of the county of Madison.

Mr. Stovall nominated T. J. Farris, of the county of Madison, but subsequently withdrew his name.

The Convention then proceeded to ballot *viva voce*, with the following result:

For Mr. Morrill—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Hutton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—56.

Representatives,	-	-	-	-	-	56
Senators,	-	-	-	-	-	21
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Total,	-	-	-	-	-	77

For Mr. Farris—

Messrs. Colquitt, Newman, and Smith—3.

For Mr. M. M. Brien, of DeKalb—

Mr. Bobo—1.

For Mr. Stovall—

Senator Bowles—1.

John M. Morrill, of the county of Madison, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was, by the President of the Convention, declared duly and constitutionally elected Register of the Land Office of West Tennessee, for the period of four years, from the expiration of the term of the present incumbent.

The business of the Convention having been transacted, the Senators retired to their chamber, and the House was called to order.

The House resumed its unfinished business, being the motion of Mr. Travis to reconsider the vote adopting his amendment to

Bill, No. 249½, to amend the charter of the Columbia and Hampshire Turnpike Company.

The House reconsidered the vote.

Mr. Travis then withdrew his amendment by leave of the House.

Mr. Meek offered an amendment giving bridge aid to the Cincinnati, Cumberland Gap, and Charleston Railroad Company, to the amount of seventy-five thousand dollars, to build a bridge over the French Broad River, and seventy-five thousand dollars to build a bridge over Pigeon River.

Mr. Looney called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Campbell, Carlock, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Myatt, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Rudd, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—36.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bulen, Cavitt, Carmichael, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Gallaway, Gilbert, Kimble, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Pope, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Travis, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—26.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26

Bill, No. 270, to amend the civil practice in certain cases,

Was taken up.

Mr. Parks offered an amendment giving securities a remedy by motion against their principals in the County Courts, as they now have in Circuit and Chancery Courts.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Thomas offered an amendment granting compensation to the committing magistrates and arresting officers, &c., in certain felony cases.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, moved

To amend the amendment of Mr. Thomas by striking out "three dollars and inserting "two."

The motion prevailed.

The amendment, as amended, was adopted, and the bill passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Dunnington, Easterly, Fielder, Galbreath, Gilbert, Gleaves, Holmes, Kimble, Little, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—44.

Noes--Messrs. Bobo, Brien, Bullen, Cavitt, Colquét, Donelson, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Pope, Smith, Stovall, Whiteside, and Wood of Hardeman--17.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	44
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	17

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, from the Committee on the subject of Fees and Bills of Cost, reported as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Joint Committee appointed to prepare and report a Fee Bill, regulating the fees of the Clerks of the Supreme, Chancery, Circuit, and County Courts, Sheriffs, Coroners, Constables and Justices of the Peace, and to whom House Bill, No. 479, a bill to regulate the fees of Coroners, and amendments, was referred, have had these matters under consideration, and have directed me to report the accompanying bill, under said resolution, and ask that the same be adopted in lieu of said Bill (No. 479,) and that it be passed.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. BROWN.

Mr. Tipton moved

To amend the bill in lieu, by allowing Sheriffs one dollar and a half per day for waiting upon the various courts of this State.

The amendment was adopted,

And the bill in lieu, as amended, was adopted.

Mr. Carlock moved

To amend, by allowing County Court Clerks seventy-five cents

for each civil district for the abstract of the taxables to be furnished the Comptroller.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Parks moved

To amend, by allowing Sheriffs and County Court Clerks not exceeding fifty dollars as ex officio compensations.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Tipton moved

To amend, by allowing Sheriffs fifty dollars for executing a condemned person and the various expenses incidental thereto.

The motion failed.

Mr. Cook moved

To allow forty dollars.

The motion failed.

Mr. Hatton moved

To allow thirty five dollars.

The motion failed.

Mr. Tompkins moved

To allow thirty dollars.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Kimble moved

To allow Circuit Court Clerks fifty dollars for ex officio services.

The motion failed.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, moved

To amend, by allowing County Court Clerks only fifty cents for issuing licenses to stand jacks and stallions.

The motion failed.

Mr. Kimble moved

To amend, by allowing guards in conveying convicts to the Penitentiary two dollars for every twenty-five miles traveled, instead of one dollar and a half, as set out in the bill.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Holmes offered an amendment, requiring Coroners to give bond in such amount as the County Court may require, if not exceeding the bonds of the Sheriffs.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Harris obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 375, to amend the act of 1831, ch. 86, and offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

Mr. Bullen offered an amendment, requiring Clerks of the various Courts to pay over to the County Trustee all witness and other fees paid into their hands, unless called for by the parties entitled to the same, within three years, and to be applied to County School Fund.

Mr. Nixon called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill passed its second reading.

Bill, No. 241, to regulate and amend the practice of Chancery Courts, was rejected by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Colquet, Cook, Dunnington, Kinney, Little, Pogue, Rudd, Ward, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—16.

Noes—Messrs. Bartlett, Bobo, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Donelson, Fielder, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—40.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40

Bill, No. 297, to repeal an act, passed 21st day of February, 1852, entitled An act to change the dividing line between the counties of Perry and Wayne,

Was taken up.

Mr. Kimble offered a bill in lieu.

The bill in lieu was adopted.

Mr. Kimble called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

On the passage of the bill, Mr. Pogue demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—32.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Campbell, Carmichael, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Rudd, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—26.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26

The bill passed its third reading.

Bill, No. 306, to provide for the election of an additional Justice of the Peace in Rome,

Was taken up.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, offered an amendment, extending the corporate limits of the town of Woodbury.

The amendment was adopted,

And the bill passed its third reading.

Bill, No. 307, requiring Trustees to close trust deeds and to enable them to make settlements,

Passed its third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Colburn, Cowden, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—49.

Noes—Messrs. Bullen, Campbell, Cavitt, Colquet, Cook, Cox, Gallaway, Looney, Mathis, Taylor, Ward, and Wood of Cannon—12.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	49
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	12

Bill, No. 308, to encourage the raising of blooded stock, and for the benefit of Common Schools,

Was passed over informally.

Bill, No. 310, to amend the charter of the South Carolina and Kentucky Railroad Company,

Passed third reading.

Bill, No. 313, to amend an act entitled An act for the benefit of the wives and widows of the soldiers of the Mexican war,

Passed third reading by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—60.

Noes—Mr. Cavitt—1.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	60
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1

Bill, No. 314, to regulate the rate of interest on specific contracts, Was withdrawn by Mr. Smith, by leave of the House.

Bill, No. 318, for the benefit of sureties and endorsers, Was take up.

Mr. Tompkins moved

To amend by striking out "his, her, or their heirs," and by inserting after the word "commissioners," the words "and costs."

Mr. Nixon moved

To amend by adding the words "by motion" after the word "judgments."

The amendment was adopted.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—54.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brien, Cavitt, Carmichael, Galbreath, Kimble, Newman, Stovall, and Wood of Cannon—8.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	54
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8

Mr. Bullen returned Bill No. 449.

Bill, No. 323, authorizing tax collectors to make titles to land by them sold for taxes,

Was taken up.

Mr. Parks moved

To amend by adding the words "or for" after the word "by."

The motion prevailed.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—62.

Noes—Mr. Brien—1.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	62
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1

Bill, 324, to establish a system of patrols,

Was taken up.

Mr. Cavitt offered a bill in lieu.

The bill in lieu was adopted.

The bill was then rejected by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Brown of Madison, Burch, Cavitt, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Galbreath, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Newman, Parks, Shemwell, Stovall, Taylor, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, and Mr. Speaker Brown—29.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Bullen,

Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Fielder, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Tipton, Wallace, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—33.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33

Bill, No. 325, for the benefit of turnpike roads,

Passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—53.

Noes—Messrs. Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Colquet, Stovall, and Welcker—7.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	53
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	7

Bill, 327, to secure the completion of the Flynn's Lick and Granville Turnpike Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Bullen called the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill was then rejected by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Brien, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Myatt, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Taylor, Tipton, Wallace, Ward, Whiteside, and Wood of Hardeman—23.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Mathis, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Welcker, White, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—38.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	23
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	38

Mr. Wallace returned Bill, No. 415.

Mr. Mathis entered a motion,

To reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 324, to establish a system of patrols.

Bill, No. 328, to amend the laws in reference to the liability of Sheriffs,

Was taken up.

Mr. Hatton moved

To amend, by providing that the same law of notice should apply to motions under this act, as in other cases of motion against Sheriffs.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Carlock, Cavitt, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Rudd, Stovall, Taylor, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—35.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Galbreath, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Tipton, Wallace, White, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—27.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27

Mr. Davie obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 454, to amend the charter of the Clarksville and Russellville Turnpike Company, for amendment.

Mr. Richey asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Easterly, on account of sickness.

On motion of Mr. Kinney,

All bills heretofore passed on third reading, were ordered to be transmitted at once to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Tipton,

Senate Bill, No. 123, to establish a Chancery Court at Taylorsville, in the county of Johnson,

Was taken up, and passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Meek,

Senate Bill, No. 194, for the benefit of James Mitchell,

Was taken up, and passed second reading.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 7 o'clock to-night.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The special order being

Bill, No. 64, to amend the Revenue Laws of this State, and to provide for a proper assessment,

Was taken up.

On motion of Mr. Cavitt,

The House considered the bill section by section.

The first section was taken up.

Mr. Nixon moved

To strike out all household furniture over the value of five hundred dollars.

The motion failed.

Mr. Nixon moved

To strike out all horses and mules, except such as are kept and used for saddle and harness purposes; and except stud horses and jacks, over the value of one thousand dollars; all neat cattle and sheep, over the value of five hundred dollars.

The motion failed.

Mr. Welcker moved

To amend the fifth item, so as to tax only such horses as are kept for racing.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Parks moved

To amend, by providing that the real money value of property taxed, under the provisions of this act, should be the amount at which the assessor would value such property, in the payment of a just debt in cash, due from a solvent debtor.

The amendment was withdrawn, temporarily.

Mr. Cook moved

To strike out "all investments, by inhabitants of this State, in stocks of any description out of the State.

The motion failed.

Second section was taken up.

The third section was taken up.

Mr. Cook moved

To amend, so as not to tax goods in the hands of the retail merchants, when the same have been purchased within the State;

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. Kimble moved

To strike out one half cent on the dollar, as merchants' tax, and insert one cent in lieu thereof.

The motion was laid on the table.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, moved

To strike out one half cent, and insert one-fourth of one cent.

The motion was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Cavitt.

Mr. Tipton moved

To strike out the word " wholesale," in third section ;
Which he withdrew.

Mr. Parks moved

To amend, that no license shall issue for a less price than three dollars.

Mr. Hatton moved

To amend the amendment of Mr. Parks, by striking out three, and inserting five.

Mr. Bullen moved

To lay both propositions on the table.

The motion failed.

The amendment of Mr. Hatton was then adopted.

Mr. Bullen moved

To strike out the clause, " provided said articles shall not be exempt from taxation in the hands of any person who sits himself up as a merchant or grocer ;"

Which was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Hatton.

Mr. Harris moved

To insert iron among the articles exempt from taxation.

The motion was adopted.

Mr. Davie moved

To amend section seven, by striking out three hundred dollars, as brokers' license, and inserting five hundred dollars in lieu.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Bullen moved

To strike out twenty-five dollars as price of license for circuses, shows, &c., &c., in seventh section, and insert fifty dollars in lieu.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Cook moved

To strike out the 14th article of section 7, regulating the tax on negro-traders.

Mr. Dortch moved

To lay Mr. Cook's motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table prevailed.

Mr. Galbreath moved

To tax race-courses, whether kept exclusively for that purpose or not.

Mr. Temple moved

To amend the amendment, by striking out the words " for one mile," and inserting the word " track," after the word " mile," wherever it occurs in said section.

The amendment of Mr. Temple was adopted,

The amendment of Mr. Galbreath, as amended, was adopted.

Mr. Fielder moved

To amend, by taxing the sale of playing-cards five dollars per pack.

The motion was laid on the table,

On motion of Mr. Bullen.

Mr. Welcker moved

To render the tax of five dollars applicable alone to slaves imported into this State.

The motion was laid on the table.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, moved

To strike out the word "agent," in the 13th article, and insert fifty dollars in lieu of one hundred dollars.

The motion failed.

Mr. Bullen moved

To strike out "fifty cents," as tax on proceedings before Magistrates.

The motion prevailed.

Section 12 was taken up.

Mr. Tipton moved

To strike out all poll-tax, and insert fifteen cents.

The motion failed.

Section 14 was taken up.

Mr. Rudd offered an amendment, taxing all dogs over six months old, except full-blooded fox or deer-dogs, and except one dog in the hands of each householder.

Mr. Fielder moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To amend, by appointing a tax assessor for each civil district of the county, who shall not be a Justice of the Peace.

Mr. Cook moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. DeWitt was granted leave of absence, on account of sickness.

The following Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk:

MR. SPEAKER:

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts, as follows and the same have been deposited with the Secretary of State:

To amend an act passed 2d day of March, 1854, entitled

An act to secure the completion of turnpike roads in Smith Wilson, and Sumner counties, by State aid, and for other purposes.

An act to incorporate the Nashville and Memphis, U. S. Mail Packet Line, and to incorporate the Jackson Life and General Insurance Company, and for other purposes.

An act to authorize Wm. H. Guy, and others, to build a turnpike road in Obion county, to amend the charter of the Memphis and Horn Lake Plank Road Company, and to amend the charter of the Columbia, Pulaski, and Elkton Turnpike Company.

The Senate has passed, on third and last reading, House bills as follows, after amendment, and the same are returned for concurrence :

No. 208, to incorporate the Collierville Female College in Shelby county, Tennessee, and for other purposes.

No. 258, to extend the corporate limits of the town of Unionville, and for other purposes.

No. 250, to incorporate the Tennessee Farming, Grape-growing, Stock-raising; and Manufacturing Company.

No. 223, directory to the Comptroller of the Treasury, for the benefit of Absalom Selser and Wm. Chaffin.

No. 283, to incorporate the Synod of Nashville, Mount Olivet Cemetery, and for other purposes.

No. 183, to amend the charter of the city of Nashville, and for other purposes.

The Senate has adopted House Resolutions as follows :

No. 146, directory to the Secretary of State.

No. 159, for the benefit of John Blair, W. Y. Huff, and others.

No. 157, to elect Register of the Land Office for West Tennessee, February 18.

And the same are returned for enrollment.

The Senate has non-concurred in House amendment to Senate amendment to House Bill, No. 146, entitled

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the act of 1825, chap. 56.

And the same is herewith returned for further action.

The Senate has concurred in House amendments to Senate Bill, No. 76, entitled

A bill to divide and equally apportion the Academy fund of Jefferson county, between Maury Academy and Dandridge Female Academy, after amending the first of said amendments ; and the same are returned for concurrence in said amendment.

The Senate adheres to its amendment to Senate Bill, No. 116, entitled

A bill to amend the practice in the trial of criminal cases, and for other purposes.

And the same is herewith returned for further action.

The Senate has rejected House Bill, No. 114, entitled

A bill to amend the small offence law, passed 10th day of January, 1848, chap. 55.

And the same is herewith returned.

The Senate has passed, on third and last reading, House Bills, No. 221, granting appeals in certain cases ;

No. 207, to protect barn yards, stock yards, &c. ;

No. 208, to amend an act entitled An act to establish a State Agricultural Bureau, &c., and for other purposes ; and for the purpose of purchasing permanent fair grounds, &c., and for other purposes ;

And the same is herewith returned for enrollment.

On motion,

The House adjourned till to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

TUESDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 19, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Galbreath presented a petition from sundry citizens of the county of Jackson, praying for the relief of Agnes Lee :

Which, on motion,

Was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Holmes presented a memorial from the Mayor and Aldermen of the city of Memphis, in relation to the manner of assessing the taxable property of the State.

Mr. Brien, from the Judiciary Committee, reported as follows :

On Senate Bill, No. 24, to prevent circuity of action ;

“ “ 67, to amend the criminal laws in reference to malicious shooting ;

“ “ 68, to amend the criminal laws in reference to railroads transporting slaves without permission ;

“ “ 100, to provide a remedy against the State in favor of private persons ;

And recommended their passage.

On Senate Bill, No. 131, to amend the criminal laws in reference to prosecutions against slaves ;

And recommended its rejection.

On House Resolution, No. 158, to release several civil districts of Sullivan county to Powell county, with a view to form a new county ;

And recommended its rejection.

On Senate Bill, No. 128, to protect widows and orphans ;

And recommended the addition after the word “ deceased ” of the following words, “ and shall not go to the executor or administrator,” and that the remainder of the bill be stricken out, and, thus amended, that the bill pass.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported on Bills, Nos. 211, 249½, 297,

As correctly engrossed ;

And on Bills, Nos. 200, 287, and 248,

As correctly enrolled.

Mr. Travis, from the Committee on Finance, reported on the per diem and mileage of members, setting out what each member was entitled to. (Vide Appendix.)

On motion of Mr. Dortch,

The report was laid on the table for the present.

Mr. Gleaves called up the motion heretofore entered, to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 356, to create boards of medical examiners for the State of Tennessee, to promote medical science, and for other purposes.

The House reconsidered the vote of rejection, and the bill was withdrawn by Mr. Gleaves for amendment, by leave of the House

Mr. Cook called up the motion entered yesterday, to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, 324, to establish a system of patrols.

The House reconsidered the vote of rejection, and the bill passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Brown of Madison, Burch, Cavitt, Cook, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Rudd, Shemwell, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—33.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Mathis, Nixon, Pope, Richey, Wallace, Welcker, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—27.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27

Mr. Cowden called up the motion heretofore entered, to reconsider the vote striking out the 16th, 17th and 18th sections of Senate Bill, 160, to authorize the construction of a railroad from Shelbyville to the line of Alabama, via Lewisburg and Pulaski.

The House reconsidered the vote striking out.

On motion of Mr. Wilson of Marshall,

The bill was placed upon its passage on its third reading.

Mr. Newman offered the 16th, 17th and 18th sections of the bill, heretofore stricken out, as an amendment to the bill.

These sections charter the Rutledge Railroad Company.

Mr. Speaker Brown (Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, in the chair) demanded the ayes and noes on the adoption of the amendment, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Stovall, Tipton, Wallace, and Whiteside—33.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Cavitt, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Gleaves, Mabry, Mathis, Parks, Pogue, Shemwell, Smith, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—27.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	33
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	27

Mr. Little offered an amendment, providing the Railroad chartered by the first portion of the bill shall not be permitted to connect with the Shelbyville arm of the Nashville and Chattanooga Railroad.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, moved
To lay the amendment on the table.

Mr. Little demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Colburn, Cowden, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—36.

Noes—Messrs. Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Cavitt, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Gleaves, Harris, Little, Looney, Mathis, Parks, Pogue, Shemwell, Welcker, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—18.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18

The motion prevailed.

Upon the passage of the bill, as amended, Mr. Mathis demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Stovall, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Whiteside, and Wilson of Marshall—37.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Cavitt, Cox, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Gleaves, Hatton, Little, Mathis, Parks, Pogue, Shemwell, Smith, Temple, Thomas, Travis, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—26.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	37
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26

The bill passed third reading.

Mr. Ward obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 415, to change the name of Ross Preswell to that of Ross Hurst, for amendment.

On motion of Mr. Whiteside,

Bill, No. 223, directory to the Comptroller of the Treasury, for the benefit of Absalom Selcer and William Chaffin,

Was taken up.

Mr. Whiteside moved

A censure in the Senate's amendments to the same, for the benefit of John W. Lane and William Craig.

The motion prevailed by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Temple, Tompkins, Wallace, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—50.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Carmichael, Mathis, Stovall, Tipton, and Travis—6.

Ayes,	- - - - -	50
Noes,	- - - - -	6

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Mathis moved a call of the House.

Present—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kiuney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—52.

On motion of Mr. Harris,

The call was suspended.

Mr. Mathis obtained leave to withdraw Senate Bill, No. 177, to confer certain powers on the surveyors of the respective counties in this State, for amendment.

On motion of Mr. Brown, of Madison,

Bill, No. 479, to regulate and define the fees of the Clerks of the Supreme, Chancery, Circuit, and County Courts, Sheriffs, Coroners, Justices of the Peace, Constables, and Sealer of Weights and Measures,

Was taken up.

Mr. Tipton moved

To fill the blank as to the compensation of Sheriffs and Constables for summoning and swearing juries of view, &c., with "one dollar."

The motion prevailed.

Mr Brown, of Madison, offered an amendment prescribing the fees of Jailors and Clerks of Criminal Courts.

Mr. Harris offered an amendment providing that when any process shall issue from one county to an officer in another county, the fee shall accompany the process.

Both amendments were adopted.

Mr. Cowden moved

To strike out "one dollar" and insert "fifty cents" as the fee for issuing license to stand a stallion or jack.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Nixon called the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

On the passage of the bill, the vote was as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Cavitt, Carlock, Carmichael, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney; Little, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Rudd, Sheinwell, Smith, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—51.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Burch, Colquet, Galbreath, and Mathis—6.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	51
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6

The bill passed third reading.

Mr. Nixon moved

To suspend for the remainder of the session the rule requiring all bills to remain in this House until the three days allowed for entering motions to reconsider, shall have elapsed.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Dunnington, from the Select Committee, to whom was referred Bill, No. 432, to regulate banking in this State, reported on the same, and recommended a bill in lieu, as the report of the majority of the committee.

The bill being the special order of the day, was taken up.

Mr. Burch moved

The adoption of the bill in lieu.

Mr. Bullen called for the previous question on the motion.

The House sustained the call.

Mr. Holmes demanded the ayes and noes on the motion :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Hatton, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey,

Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—38.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carmichael, Davie, DeWitt, Gleaves, Holmes, Little, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—23.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	38
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23

The motion prevailed, and the bill in lieu was adopted.

Mr. Dunnington called for a consideration of the bill section by section.

The first section was taken up.

Mr. Davie moved

To strike out so much of the first section as relates to the Free Banks of the State.

Mr. Tipton moved

To strike out the first section.

Mr. Bullen moved

To lay the motion on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Davie's motion failed.

The first section was then adopted.

The second section was then taken up.

Mr. Tipton called the previous question on the section.

The House sustained the call.

The section was adopted.

The third section was taken up.

Mr. Davie moved

To amend so as to allow all banks to issue one-fifth of their circulation in notes of a less denomination than five dollars.

Mr. Parks called the previous question on the section.

The House sustained the call.

Upon the adoption of the section, Mr. Massengill demanded the ayes and noes:

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brown of *Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Kimble, Kinney, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Parks, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Tompkins, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman—35.

Noes—Messrs. Algée, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Carmichael, Davie, DeWitt, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Nixon, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Thomas, Tipton, Wallace, Ward, and Mr. Speaker Brown—25.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25

The section was adopted.

Section fourth was taken up.

Mr. Dortch called for the previous question on the section.

The House sustained the call.

The section was adopted.

The fifth section was taken up.

Mr. Bullen called for the previous question on the section.

The House sustained the call.

Upon the adoption of the section, Mr. Davie demanded the ayes and noes:

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden. Cox, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman—38.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Davie, DeWitt, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Massengill, Meek, Pogue, Tompkins, Wallace, Welcker, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—19.

Ayes, - - - - - 38

Noes, - - - - - 19

The section was adopted.

The sixth section was taken up.

Mr. Dortch called for the previous question on the section.

The House sustained the call.

The section was adopted.

The seventh section was taken up.

Mr. Bullen called for the previous question on the section.

The House sustained the call.

The section was adopted.

Mr. Bullen called for the previous question on the passage of the bill.

The House sustained the call.

The bill then passed second reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Carlook, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Harde-
man—36.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Campbell, Davie, DeWitt, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Massengill, Meek, Nixon, Pogue, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—25.

Ayes, - - - - - - - **36**

Noes, - - - - - 25

The House then took up another special order, being; Bill, No. 179, to establish a more efficient system of Common Schools,

And Bill, No. 141, to amend the Common School Laws of this State,

And Bill, No. 450, to promote Common Schools.

On motion of Mr. Hatton,

The consideration of the special order was postponed until 7 o'clock, to-night.

On motion of Mr. Tipton,

Senate Bill, No. 153, to establish a Chancery Court at Taylorsville, in the county of Johnson,

Was taken up.

Mr. Dortch offered an amendment, repealing the act annexing Lauderdale county to the Eleventh Judicial Circuit.

Mr. Cavitt offered an amendment, authorizing the transfer of causes from the Circuit to the Chancery Courts, in case the Circuit Judge be incompetent to try the same.

Mr. Cox offered an amendment, authorizing the Clerk of the Criminal Court of Davidson county to appoint a deputy.

Mr. Burch offered an amendment changing the time of holding the Circuit Court in the county of Polk.

Mr. Cowden, by leave of the House, withdrew Bill, No. 478, to provide for holding Chancery and Circuit Courts in the counties of Giles and Marshall, and offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

The various amendments were adopted, and the bill passed third reading.

On motion of Mr. Brown, of Madison,

Senate Bill, No. 34, to amend the general incorporation laws of this State, and to retrench the expenses of legislation,

Was taken up.

The bill passed its second reading, and was referred to the Select Committee on the subject of Private Incorporations.

On motion of Mr. Kinney,

Bill, No. 508, to charter the Strawberry Plains, Dandridge and Newport Railroad Company,

Was taken up, and passed second reading.

Mr. Cowden entered a motion to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill No. 327, to secure the completion of the Flynn's Lick and Granville Turnpike Road.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 7 o'clock, to-night.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The unfinished business of the afternoon session, was resumed, being the various bills in relation to the common school system of the State.

Bill, 179, to establish a more efficient System of Common Schools, being first in order,

Was taken up.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To strike out the words, in second section, "all those voting," and insert in lieu the words "a majority of the qualified voters of the county."

Mr. Bullen moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

Upon which motion, Mr. Harris called for previous question.

The call was sustained.

Upon the indefinite postponement of the bill, Mr. Holmes de-
the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Stovall, Tipton, Wallace, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—33.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Cowden, Davie, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Parks, Runnels, Rudd, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Welcker, White, Wood of Harde-
man, and Mr. Speaker Brown—21.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21

The motion prevailed,

And the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Hatton asked and obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 141, to amend the Common School Laws of this State, for an amend-
ment.

Bill, No. 450, to promote Common Schools,

Was taken up.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, offered an amendment, providing that in addition to the school tax already taxed there shall be levied two and a half cents upon each hundred dollars' worth of property and twenty-five cents upon each poll, to be distributed in the same manner that the School Fund is now distributed.

The amendment was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Brazelton,
The previous question was called.
The call was sustained.

The bill passed its second reading.

Mr. Nixon moved

To take up Bill, No. 116, to amend the practice in the trial of Criminal Causes, and for other purposes.

The motion prevailed

Mr. Nixon moved

A concurrence, on the part of the House, in the amendment adopted to the bill by the Senate, providing, that unless suit is brought for the recovery of slaves sold under decree of any of the Courts of this State, within six months after the passage of this bill, the title to said slaves, as to said heirs, distributees, or legatees, shall be forever barred.

The amendment was concurred in, upon a call for the ayes and noes, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Brazelton, Brien, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cowden, Davie, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Harris, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Rudd, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—38.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Burch, Colquet, Dortch, Gleaves, Hatton, Kimble, Massengill, Mathis, Runnels, Temple, Tipton, Wallace, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—17.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	38
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17

Bill, No. 141, to amend the Common School Laws of this State,

Was returned by Mr. Hatton,
And its consideration entered upon.
The bill passed its third reading.
In the affirmative—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Cowden, Davie, Dortch, Fort, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Runnels, Rudd, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—38.

In the negative—

Messrs. Bobo, Brazelton, Cavitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gleaves, Kimble, Northcutt, Pope, Stovall, Wallace, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—16.

Affirmative,	-	-	-	-	-	-	38
Negative,	-	-	-	-	-	-	16

Mr. White moved

To take up Bill, No. 106, to amend the charter of the Knoxville and Kentucky Railroad Company.

The House refused to take the bill up.

A motion to adjourn till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning, failed.

On motion of Mr. Dortch,

The House proceeded to the consideration of Bill, No. 64, to amend the revenue laws of this State, and to provide for a proper assessment.

Mr. Stovall moved

To strike out section 14 of the bill, providing for the appointment of Tax Assessors for the various counties.

Upon which motion, Mr. Dortch demanded the ayes and noes, Mr. Temple having called for the previous question ;

Which call was sustained.

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Cavitt, Fort, Gleaves, Kinney, Mathis, Northcutt, Pope, Stovall, Whiteside, and Wood of Cannon—15.

Noes—Messrs. Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Colquet, Cowden, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Myatt, Newman, Parks, Runnels, Rudd, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Welcker, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—37.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	15
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	37

Sundry amendments, proposed by various gentlemen, tending to correct the vestige of the bill, were adopted.

The amendment heretofore offered by Mr. Parks to the bill, and by him temporarily withdrawn, was again offered by him, to amend the 17th section, and was adopted.

Mr. Cowden, at five minutes past 10 o'clock, moved

An adjournment.

Mr. Galbreath called for the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brien, Burch, Carlock, Cowden, Davie, Dortch, Fielder, Gleaves, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Northcutt, Runnels, Rudd, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—26.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Donelson, Galbreath, Hatton, Holmes, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Parks, Tipton, Wallace, Welcker, Whiteside, and Wilson of Marshall—21.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21

There being no quorum, and the majority favoring,
The House adjourned till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 20, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Senate has passed, on third and last reading, House Bills—
No. 213, to secure the rights of landholders.

No. 246, to incorporate the Fountain Fire Company, No. 1, of the city of Knoxville, and for other purposes, after amending the last named bill by striking out the fourth section.

No. 215, to amend the first section, chap. 1, of an act passed in the year 1804.

No. 220, to suppress betting on elections.

The Senate has rejected House Bills—

No. 192, to prevent frauds in the formation of new counties, and

No. 244, for the benefit of stayors in certain cases.

The Senate has passed, upon third and last reading, the following Senate bills, to wit :

No. 215, for the benefit of the Penitentiary of the State.

No. 212, to give defendants justice in State prosecutions.

No. 28, to protect property, and restrict the sale of spirituous and vinous liquors.

Also, Senate Resolution, No. 71, to provide for printing and binding the revisal of the Statutes.

And they are herewith transmitted for the action of the House of Representatives.

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts of the following titles, to-wit :

An act authorizing the transfer of suits in chancery between citizens of Meigs county, from the courts at Athens, Cleveland, and Harrison, to the courts at Decatur.

An act for the benefit of the tax-payers of Davidson county.

An act to incorporate the town of Cookeville, in the county of Putnam.

An act to empower Constables to swear jurors of view.

An act to incorporate the Synod of West Tennessee.

And they are herewith transmitted for the signature of the Speaker of the House.

The Senate has passed, upon third and last reading, with amendments, House Bills—

No. 21, giving further time to perfect titles to lands in this State.

No. 182, to amend the act passed 15th February, 1854, to amend the charter of the Cornersville and Lewisburg Turnpike Company.

No. 285, to allow railroad companies to increase their capital stock, and for other purposes.

No. 320, to amend the charter of the Tennessee and Alabama Railroad Company, and for other purposes.

And the same are herewith transmitted for concurrence in said amendments.

Mr. Donelson, from the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures, reported on

Bill, No. 492, to incorporate the Memphis Agricultural Fair Grounds Company,

And recommended its passage.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported

Bills, Nos. 318, 313, 307, 310, 306, 270, 328, 323, 325, and 324, as correctly engrossed ;

And on Bills, Nos. 205, 207, 221, 223, and 261 ;

And on Resolutions, Nos. 146, and 159, as correctly enrolled.

Mr. White, from the Committee on New Counties and County Lines, reported on

Bill, No. 456, to establish the county of Cass,

And recommended its passage ;

And on Bill, No. 491, to establish the dividing line between the counties of Morgan, Scott, and Fentriss, &c.,

And recommended its passage.

And also returned the various petitions which have been referred to said Committee, and asked to be discharged from their further consideration.

The Committee were discharged, as requested.

Mr. Hatton, from the Judiciary Committee, reported on

Senate Bill, No. 36, to establish a Criminal Court at the city of Knoxville,

And recommended its passage.

And on Senate Bill, No. 57, to establish the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit,

And recommended various amendments, and the passage of the bill.

Mr. Ball called up the motion heretofore entered,

To reconsider the vote striking State aid out of Bill, No. 232, to charter the White Plains and Montgomery Turnpike Company.

The House reconsidered the vote.

Mr. Myatt offered an amendment, in lieu of all of the bill after the fourth section, asking for the loan of the bonds of the State, at the rate of five hundred dollars per mile, instead of asking the State to become a partner in the road.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Gleaves offered an amendment, including the Statesville and Stewart's Ferry Turnpike Company within the provisions of the bill.

Mr. Tipton called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill was then rejected by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Burch, Carmichael, Colburn, Cox, Davie, Fort, Galbreath, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Myatt, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Taylor, Tipton, Ward, Welcker, and White—27.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Gleaves, Hatton, Little, Mathis, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Harde-man, and Mr. Speaker Brown—38

Ayes, - - - - - 27

Noes, - - - - - 38

Mr. Brien called up the motion heretofore entered,

To reconsider the vote indefinitely postponing Bill, No. 25, to reduce the Circuit Courts to two terms, &c.

The House refused to reconsider.

Mr. Cowden called up the motion heretofore entered,

To reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 327, to secure the completion of the Flynn's Lick and Granville Turnpike Road.

The House refused to reconsider the vote of rejection.

Mr. Travis moved

To take up bill, No. 330, to aid in constructing a railroad from Chattanooga to the East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad, in the direction of Knoxville, and for the benefit of the East Tennessee and Virginia Railroad,

With a view of acting upon Senate amendments to the same.

Mr. Holmes moved a call of the House.

Present—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Galaway, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis,

Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Harde-
man, and Mr. Speaker Brown—69.

Mr. Tipton moved

That the Doorkeeper be sent for the absent members.

The motion failed.

Mr. Tipton then moved

That the Doorkeeper be sent for Mr. Cook.

The motion prevailed, and the Doorkeeper was dispatched accordingly.

Mr. Temple moved

That while the Doorkeeper was discharging the duty just assigned him, that the House take up Bill, No. 316, to incorporate the agents of the Publishing House of the M. E. Church, South, in the city of Nashville.

The motion prevailed, and the bill was taken up.

Mr. Temple moved

A concurrence in the report of the Committee on Incorporations, as to striking out the preamble of the bill.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Temple moved

To non-concur in the report of the Committee, recommending the striking out of all of the 2d section, after the word "South."

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Temple moved

To non-concur in the report of the Committee, recommending the striking out of so much of the bill as exempts the property of the institution from taxation.

Mr. Temple demanded the ayes and noes on the motion :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carlock, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fielder, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Pogue, Rudd, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—28.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquett, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fort, Galbreath, Kimble, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Tipton, Travis, Watkins, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—39.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	39

The report of the Committee was concurred in.

The bill then passed third reading.

Mr. Mabry moved

A call of the House.

Present—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien,

Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Travis, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—68.

Mr. Travis's motion to take up Bill, No. 330, was then submitted, and prevailed.

Mr. Cowden moved

To lay the bill and amendments on the table.

Mr. Kinney demanded the ayes and noes on the motion :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Kimble, Little, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Pogue, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Travis, Ward, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—31.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, Fort, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Wallace, Welcker, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—36.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36

The motion failed.

Mr. White offered an amendment to the Senate's amendments, transferring the State stock in the East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad, to the Knoxville and Kentucky Railroad.

Mr. Rudd moved

To lay Mr. White's amendment on the table.

Mr. White demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Gleaves, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Stovall, Tipton, Watkins, Whiteside, and Wilson of Marshall—32.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carmichael, Cowden, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Little, Myatt, Newman, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Shemwell, Smith, Taylor, Temple, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—32.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	32
Noes,	-	-	-	-	32

The motion failed.

Mr. Burch moved

A concurrence in the first amendment of the Senate,

And called the previous question on the motion.

The House sustained the call.

The amendment was then concurred in by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Fielder, Fort, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—53.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Kimble, Little, Mathis, Pogue, Shemwell, Smith, Tompkins, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—13.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	53
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13

Mr. Burch moved

A concurrence in the second amendment of the Senate.

Mr. Harris called the previous question on the motion.

The House sustained the call.

Messrs. Dortch and Ball stated that they had "paired off" with Messrs. Gilbert and Travis on this bill, and were excused from voting.

The amendment was then concurred in by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—64.

Noes—Mr. Pogue—1.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	64
Noes,	-	-	-	-	1

Mr. Tipton moved

A concurrence in the third amendment of the Senate, for the benefit of the Nashville and North-Western, Mobile and Ohio and

Memphis and Ohio, and Winchester and Alabama Railroad Company.

Pending discussion on which,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Donelson moved

To lay the bill and amendments on the table.

Mr. Smith called for the previous question on the motion.

Mr. Stovall moved a call of the House:

Present—

Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—66.

On motion of Mr. Newman,

The Doorkeeper was dispatched for the absentees.

Mr. Smith moved

To clear the Hall of all except the officers and members of the House.

On motion of Mr. Stovall,

The motion was laid on the table.

Mr. Wallace moved

To take up Bill, No. 190, to change the county lines between White and Putnam.

The motion failed.

Mr. Mathis returned Senate Bill, No. 177, with amendments.

After the lapse of a few minutes, Mr. Burch moved

To proceed with the unfinished business of the morning.

The motion failed.

After the lapse of a short time more, Mr. Cavitt moved

To proceed with the unfinished business.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Burch demanded the ayes and noes on the motion to lay on the table :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Kimble, Little, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Pogue, Runnels, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—33.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Bullen, Burch Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, Fort Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Watkins, Welcker, and White—34.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34

The motion failed.

Mr. Stovall stated that he had paired off with Mr. Easterly, and was excused from voting on the bill for the future.

Mr. Burch called for the previous question on the motion to concur in third Senate's amendment.

Upon which call, Mr. Thomas demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Northcutt, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Tipton, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—30.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Cavitt, Cowden, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Kimble, Little, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Pogue, Shemwell, Smith, Taylor, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—36.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36

The House refused to sustain the call.

Mr. Cavitt offered an amendment in lieu of Mr. White's amendment, granting State aid to the amount of one hundred thousand dollars to the Nashville and North-Western Railroad Company to aid in building bridges over the Tennessee River and other streams crossed by said railroad.

Upon the motion to adopt Mr. Cavitt's amendment,

Mr. Armstrong demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Cox, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Tipton, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—31.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Campbell, Carmichael, Cook, Cowden, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Hatton, Holmes, Looney, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Shemwell, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—35.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35

The House refused to adopt Mr. Cavitt's amendment in lieu of the amendment of Mr. White.

Mr. White then called the previous question on his amendment. The House sustained the call.

Upon the adoption of the amendment of Mr. White, Mr. Bullen demanded the ayes and noes:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bobo, Brown of Madison, Carmichael, Cowden, DeWitt, Dunnington, Fort, Little, Myatt, Newman, Pogue, Shemwell, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—21.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Temple, Tipton, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman—45.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	45

The amendment was rejected.

Mr. Shemwell offered an amendment for the benefit of the Louisville and Memphis Air Line Railroad Company.

Mr. Davie moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

Upon which motion, Mr. Shemwell demanded the ayes and noes:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Fort, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Watkins, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Car-

roll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—53.

Noes—Messrs. Cavitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Kimble, Mabry, Shemwell, Thomas, Ward, White, and Wood of Hardeman—12.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	53
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Watkins offered an amendment, for the benefit of the Southern Central Railroad Company.

Mr. Temple moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

Mr. Watkins demanded the ayes and noes:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Fort, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Temple, Tipton, Wallace, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—45.

Noes—Messrs. Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Kimble, Looney, Newman, Pogue, Shemwell, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Watkins, and White—19.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	45
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Wilson of Marshall, offered an amendment, for the benefit of the Duck and Elk River Valley Railroad Company.

Mr. Bullen moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

Mr. Cowden demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Fort, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Smith, Tipton, Ward, Welcker, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown--41.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Carlock, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Kimble, Little, Newman, Nixon, Pogue, Rudd, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tompkins, Watkins, White, and Wilson of Marshall—20.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	41
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	20

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Donelson offered an amendment, for the benefit of the Nashville and Louisville Railroad Company.

Mr. Temple moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

Mr. Donelson demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, Fort, Harris, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Tipton, Wallace, Welcker, Wilson of Carroll, and Wood of Hardeman—39.

Noes—Messrs. Brazelton, Cavitt, Cowden, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Hatton, Kimble, Little, Newman, Nixon, Pogue, Shemwell, Smith, Thomas, Tompkins, Watkins, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown--24.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	39
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24

The motion prevailed.

The third Senate's amendment was concurred in by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, Fort, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Wallace, Welcker, and Wilson of Carroll—35.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Colquet, Cowden, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Kimble, Little, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Pogue, Runnels, Shemwell, Smith, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—31.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31

Mr. Tipton moved

A concurrence in the fourth Senate's amendment, for the benefit of the Memphis and Little Rock Railroad Company.

Mr. Stovall called for the previous question.

Mr. Nixon demanded the ayes and noes on the call :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, Fielder, Fort, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Wallace,

Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, and Wood of Har.
deman—49.

Noes—Messrs. Brazelton, Colquet, Cowden, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Little, Newman, Nixon, Pogue, Smith, Tompkins, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—17.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	49
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17

The House sustained the call.

The amendment was then concurred in by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, Fort, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Wallace, Watkins, Welcker, and White—33.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Kimble, Little, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Pogue, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Tompkins, Ward, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—31.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31

Mr. Tipton moved

To concur in Senate amendment, No. 5, for the benefit of the McMinnville and Manchester Railroad Company.

Mr. Dunnington offered to amend Senate amendment, by specifying that the State aid was intended to enable said Tennessee and Alabama Railroad to unite with the Southern Central Railroad at Columbia.

Mr. Tipton called the previous question.

Mr. Dunnington demanded the ayes and noes:

Ayes—Messrs Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Fort, Harris, Holmes, Kinnney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Wallace, Welcker, and Wilson of Carroll,—36.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brazelton, Campbell, Cavitt, Colquet, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Kimble, Little, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Shemwell, Smith, Tompkins, Watkins, White, Whiteside, Wilson, of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—25.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25

The House sustained the call.

The amendment was concurred in by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, Fort, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Northcutt, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Welcker, and White—36.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Cavitt, Cowden, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Kimble, Little, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Ward, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—31.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31

Mr. Tipton moved

To concur in Senates amendment, No 6, providing that none of bonds issued under the provisions of this act, should be sold at less than par, except those of the East Tennessee and Virginia Railroad.

Mr. Galbreath moved

To strike out the exception.

Mr. Tipton called for the previous question.

Mr. Newman demandd the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Wallace, Welcker, White, and Wilson of Carroll—37

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Kimble, Mathis, Little, Newman, Nixon, Pogue, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—28.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	37
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28

The House sustained the call.

The amendment was concurred in, by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, Fort, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massen-

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, gill, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Taylor, Tipton, Wallace, Welcker, and Wilson of Carroll—35.

Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Pogue, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—29.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29

Mr. Tipton moved to concur in the 7th amendment, for the benefit of the Tennessee and Alabama Railroad Company,

And demanded the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The amendment was then non-concurred in, by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, Fort, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Wallace, Welcker, and White—33.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Gavitt, Colquet, Cowden, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Kimble, Little, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—33.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33

Mr. Algee moved

A reconsideration of the vote just taken.

Mr. Newman demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, Fort, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Northcutt, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Wallace, Welcker, White, and Wilson of Carroll—34.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Kimble, Little, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—33.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33

The House reconsidered the vote of non-concurrence.

The House then non-concurred in the amendment, by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Cook, Cox, Davie, Fort, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Northcutt, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Wallace, Welcker, and White—32.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Kimble, Little, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—35.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	32
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	35

On motion of Mr. Armstrong,

The bill was ordered to be transmitted at once to the Senate.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Speaker of the Senate has signed the following enrolled acts :

An act granting appeals in certain cases.

An act to protect barn-yards, stock yards, &c.

An act to extend the corporate limits of the town of Bolivar, and for other purposes.

An act authorizing Grand Juries to send for witnesses in certain cases.

An act to amend the Charter of the Knoxville and Charleston Railroad Company, and for other purposes.

An act to amend an act entitled An act to establish a State Agricultural Bureau, &c., and for other purposes.

An act to incorporate the Temple Female College and the Buchanan College, at Winchester, and for other purposes.

An act directory to the Comptroller of the Treasury for the benefit of Absalom Selcer and others.

Also, Resolution, directory to the Secretary of State ;

And Resolution appointing Commissioners to examine the claims of John Blair, W. Y. Huff, and others.

And the same have been deposited with the Secretary of State.

The Senate has passed upon third and last reading, House Bill, No. 403, entitled a bill for the benefit of the Rogersville and Jefferson Railroad.

And the same is herewith transmitted for enrollment.

The Senate has concurred in House amendments, Nos. 2 and 3, to Senate Bill, No. 160, entitled

A bill to authorize the construction of a railroad from the town of Shelbyville, to the line of the State of Alabama, *via* Lewisburg in the county of Marshall, and Pulaski in the county of Giles,

And non-concurred in amendment No. 1.

And the same is herewith returned for the further consideration of the House.

The Senate has also concurred in House amendment to Senate Bill, No, 123, entitled A bill to establish a Chancery Court at Taylorsville in the county of Johnson, Nos. 1, 3, 4, and 5, and non-concurred in amendment No. 2.

And the same is herewith returned.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 7 o'clock, to-night.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr Dortch,

The unfinished business of last night was taken up, being Bill, No. 64, to amend the Revenue Laws of this State, and to provide for a proper assessment.

Mr. Parks offered an amendment to the 22d section, providing that the Assessor shall not be authorized to swear the owner to the value of the property.

The amendment was adopted.

The 23d section was taken up.

The 24th section was taken up.

The 25th section was taken up.

The 26th section was taken up.

Mr. Parks moved

To fill the blanks in said section with "the Clerk of the County Court," and "County Court."

The motion prevailed.

The 27th section was taken up.

The 28th section was taken up.

On motion of Mr. Dortch,

The blank in said section was filled with "the County Court Clerk."

Section 29th was taken up.

On motion of Mr. Parks,

It was so amended as to leave it to the County Court's discretion as to the amount of the Assessor's compensation.

The 30th section was taken up.

On motion of Mr. Shemwell,

The section was so amended as to require the hirer of all slaves hired from without the limits of the State, to pay tax on the value of said slaves.

Mr. Donelson offered an amendment, as an additional section, providing that the Assessor shall annually make out a table showing, in addition to the usual returns, the whole number of slaves owned by each person, the number of horses, mules, cattle, sheep and swine, number of bales of cotton, hogsheads of tobacco, and bushels of wheat and corn, raised the preceding year.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Kimble moved

So to amend as to tax no mills under the value of two thousand dollars.

Mr. Davie moved

To amend by inserting "ten thousand," instead of "two thousand."

Mr. Newman moved

To insert "one thousand," instead of "ten thousand."

Mr. Bullen moved

To lay Mr. Kimble's motion, and the motions of Messrs. Newman and Davie, on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To insert in the seventh section, after the word "against," the words "as a regular avocation."

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Little moved

To insert in the seventh section, after the word "slaves," the words "imported into the State and sold."

Mr. Cavitt moved

To lay the motion on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Colquet moved

To strike out all after the enacting clause to the 14th section.

Mr. Mathis moved

To reconsider the vote taken on last night, refusing to strike out twenty-five cents as the poll-tax, and insert in lieu fifteen cents.

The motion failed.

Mr. Stovall moved

To lay Mr. Colquet's motion to strike out on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Upon the passage of the bill, Mr. Dortch called for a division of the question.

The question was first submitted on the revenue portion of the bill.

Mr. Armstrong called for the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Bartlett, Brazelton, Campbell, Carlock, Cox, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Looney, Myatt, Newman, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Shemwell, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—30.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Dunnington, Fort, Galbreath, Harris, Kinney, Little, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Nixon, Northcutt, Rudd, Tipton, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—21.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21

The first thirteen sections passed third reading.

On the passage of the remainder of the bill, the vote was as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Little, Looney, Mabry, Myatt, Newman, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Shemwell, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—35.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Nixon, Northcutt, Stovall, Tipton, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—22.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22

The bill thus passed third reading.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 21, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Messrs. Algee, Brien, Cowden, Richey, Smith and Wallace asked and obtained leave to enter their votes on Bill, No. 64, on the sub-

ject of the revenue, passed last night, as they were absent when the vote on said bill was taken.

Mr. Cox moved

To reconsider the vote granting the permission to said gentlemen.

The House reconsidered.

The question then being submitted a second time, the House refused to grant the permission.

Mr. Nixon, from the Committee on Claims, reported on Senate Bill, No. 110, to authorize and regulate the pay of the Messenger of the Senate,

And recommended its passage.

On Bill, No. 516, for the relief of James R. Taylor,

And recommended its passage.

Mr. Harris, from Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported Bill, No. 141,

As correctly engrossed ;

And Bills, Nos. 116, 213, 215, 283, and 403,

As correctly enrolled.

Mr. Thomas, from the Select Committee on Private Incorporations, reported on Senate Bill, No. 34, to amend the General Incorporation Laws of this State, and to retrench the expenses of legislation,

And recommended a bill in lieu.

Mr. Mathis introduced Resolution, No. 165, as follows :

Resolved, That the Speaker of the House of Representatives appoint a Committee to inform his Excellency, the Governor, that the General Assembly has adopted a resolution to adjourn on the 3d day of March next, and to ascertain whether he has any further communications to make to them.

The resolution was laid over one day.

On motion of Mr. Cavitt,

Senate Bills on second reading were taken up.

Senate Bill, No. 3, to regulate the rate of interest,

Was first taken up.

Mr. Meek moved

To lay the bill on the table.

Mr. Cavitt demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bullen, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Richey, Rudd, Tipton, Wallace, and Wood of Cannon—30.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Cavitt, Cowden, Dortch, Dunnington, Gleaves, Holmes, Little, Looney, Newman, Parks, Runnels, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—30.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30

The motion failed.

Mr. Meek moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

Mr. Kinney demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Davie, Donelson, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Rudd, Tipton, and Wallace—29.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Cavitt, Cowden, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Gleaves, Holmes, Little, Looney, Mabry, Newman, Pope, Runnels, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—36.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36

The motion failed.

Mr. Tipton moved

To strike out the enacting clause.

Mr. Cowden demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes.—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Davie, Donelson, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Richey, Rudd, Tipton, and Wallace—27.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Cavitt, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Gleaves, Holes, Little, Looney, Mabry, Newman, Parks, Runnels, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—36.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36

The motion failed.

Mr. Tompkins moved

To strike out so much of the bill as relates to shaving notes.

Mr. Bullen called the previous question on the bill.

Mr. Whiteside demanded the ayes and noes on the call :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock

Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Davie, Donelson, Fort, Galbreath, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Pogue, Richey, Rudd, Temple, Tipton, and Wallace—28.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Gallaway, Gleaves, Holmes, Kimble, Little, Looney, Mabry, Nixon, Parks, Runnels, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Taylor, Thomas, Tompkins, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—35.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	28
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	35

The House refused to sustain the call.

Upon the motion of Mr. Tompkins, Mr. Newman demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Bullen, Campbell, Carmichael, Colquet, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Mathis, Myatt, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Taylor, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, and Wood of Hardeman—31.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bobo, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Looney, Massengill, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Pope, Rudd, Stovall, Temple, Wallace, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—32.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	31
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	32

The motion failed.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, offered an amendment, levying a tax of 12½ cents on the hundred dollars loaned at 7 per cent., 15 cents on the hundred dollars loaned at 8 per cent., 17½ cents on the hundred dollars loaned at 9 per cent., and 20 cents on the hundred dollars loaned at 10 per cent., and requiring the lender to give in the same to the tax assessor, on oath.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, moved

To strike out the inquisitorial power from the bill.

Mr. Cavitt demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cox, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Northcutt, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Smith, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—27.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carlock, Cowden, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Looney, Meek, Newman, Nixon,

Parks, Pogue, Rudd, Shemwell, Temple, Tompkins, Wallace, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Wood of Hardeman—37.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	37

The motion failed.

Mr. Cavitt called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

Mr. Armstrong demanded the ayes and noes on the passage of the bill upon its second reading :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Bobo, Brown of Madison, Cavitt, Cowden, Cox, Dortch, Dunnington, Holmes, Little, Looney, Mabry, Newman, Pope, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—22.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Brazelton, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Kimble, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—45.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	45

The bill was rejected.

Mr. Dortch, from the Committee on Ways and Means, by leave of the House, reported as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Committee to whom were referred sundry bills and petitions, have had the same under consideration, and direct me to report as follows: That they recommend the rejection of the prayer of the following petitions: In reference to Nashville Fire Company, No. 1, and the petition of B. W. Crain to peddle without license, and petition from citizens of Memphis asking aid for the Widows' and Orphan Asylum of the city of Memphis, and upon Senate Bill, No. 98, recommend bill in lieu and its passage, and report back Bill, No. 334, and asked to be discharged from further consideration. All of which is respectfully submitted,

W. B. DORTCH,
Chairman of Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Dortch,

Senate Bill, No. 98, to provide for the payment of certain State bonds,

Was taken up.

Mr. Bullen moved

To amend the bill in lieu by transferring the State stock in the

Union and Planters' Bank to the Banks of Tennessee, and requiring the said Bank to meet the bonds when they mature.

Mr. Meek moved

To make the whole subject the special order for to-night, at 7 o'clock.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Davie introduced Resolution, No. 166, addressed to the Legislature of Louisiana, in relation to the system of involuntary inspection.

Mr. Davie moved

To suspend the rule requiring resolutions to lay over one day.

The House refused to suspend the rule.

Mr. DeWitt returned Senate Bill, No. 104, to charter the Tennessee Marble Mining and Manufacturing Company, and asked that it be taken up and considered.

The House refused to take up the bill.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has passed on third and last reading, Senate Bills, as follows, and I have been directed immediately to transmit the same to the House of Representatives:

No. 240, to provide for the completion of the Capitol, and for other purposes.

No. 217, to regulate agencies of Insurance Companies not incorporated by the State of Tennessee.

No. 206, to regulate the transfer of State aid from one company to another.

Senate Bill, No. 4, to repeal section third of the act of 1853, chapter 72,

Was taken up.

Mr. Parks offered an amendment providing that the State or county paying the State's cost shall also pay the defendant.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, by leave of the House, withdrew Bill, No. 425, to regulate the payment of cost in cases of misdemeanor, and offered it in lieu of the bill under consideration.

Mr. Tipton moved

To lay all the amendments on the table.

The motion failed.

Mr. Harris called the previous question on the passage of the bill.

The House refused to sustain the call.

The amendment of Mr. Parks was adopted.

Mr. Parks called the previous question on the bill as amended.

The House sustained the call.

The bill then passed second reading.

Mr. Tipton asked leave to withdraw the bill for amendment.

The House refused to grant the permission.

Senate Bill, No. 18, to amend an act entitled

An act to amend an act to establish a system of internal improvements in this State,

Was taken up. *

Mr. Newman moved

To strike out so much of the bill as provides for the election of the Commissioner of Roads by a joint vote of the General Assembly.

Mr. DeWitt called the previous question on the passage of the bill.

The House sustained the call.

Mr. Nixon demanded the ayes and noes on the passage of the bill:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—31.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—32.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	31
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	32

The bill failed.

Senate Bill, No. 21, to amend an act passed February 25, 1854, to incorporate the Murfreesboro and Liberty Turnpike Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Bobo offered an amendment, reviving the Fayetteville, Boon's Hill, and Pulaski Turnpike Company.

Mr. Armstrong offered an amendment, authorizing James McNeilly and Hugh Blair to build a mill-dam across Pigeon River, in Sevier county.

Mr. Shemwell offered an amendment, authorizing the County Court of Stewart county, to order an election for county subscription to the Louisville and Memphis Air-Line Railroad Company.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, offered an amendment, incorporating the Murfreesboro and Bradyville Turnpike Company.

Mr. Cox offered an amendment, incorporating the Haley Cove Coal Company.

Mr. Meek offered an amendment, authorizing Isaac M. McBee to build a dam across the North-West sluice of Holston River, at McBee's Island, &c.

Mr. Mabry offered an amendment, authorizing the Mayor and Aldermen of the town of McMinnville, to take stock in the McMinnville and Manchester Railroad Company.

Mr. Taylor obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 436, to incorporate the Covington and Sharon Railroad Company, and for other purposes, and offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

Messrs. Tompkins and Wood, of Cannon, made some additions to the corporators of the original bill.

Mr. Runnels offered an amendment, incorporating the Hover's Gap and Christiana Turnpike Company.

The various amendments were adopted, and the bill passed second reading.

Mr. Davie moved

To permit Mr. Thomas to vote on Senate Bill, No. 18, to amend an act entitled

An act to establish a system of internal improvements in this State, he having been without the bar when the vote was taken on said bill.

Upon said motion, the vote was thirty-one in the affirmative, and thirty in the negative.

The motion failed, there not being two-thirds voting in the affirmative.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER:—

The Senate has receded from its amendment, No. 7, to House Bill, No. 330, entitled

A bill to aid in constructing a railroad from Chattanooga to the East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad, in the direction of Knoxville, and for the benefit of the East Tennessee and Virginia Railroad;

Which said amendment was for the benefit of the Tennessee and Alabama Railroad Company.

And the said bill is herewith returned for enrollment.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Brien asked leave to change his vote on Senate Bill, No. 18, to amend an act entitled

An act to amend an act to establish a system of internal improvements in this State.

Mr. Tipton moved

A call of the House,

Absent—

Messrs. Cloud, Cobb, Cook, Cox, Easterly, Gallaway, Gilbert, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Taylor, Travis, and Watkins—12.

Mr. Newman moved

To dispatch the Doorkeeper after absentees.

The motion prevailed.

During the absence of the Doorkeeper,

On motion of Mr. Cowden,

Bill, No. 182, to amend the act passed 15th February, 1854, to amend the Cornersville and Lewisburg Turnpike Company,

Was taken up, and Senate's amendment to the same concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Tipton,

Senate Bill, No. 123, to establish a Chancery Court at Taylorsville in the county of Johnson,

Was taken up, and the House receded from amendment No. 2, formerly adopted by the House.

On motion of Mr. Brown, of Madison,

Bill, No. 320, to amend the charter of the Tennessee and Alabama Railroad Company, and for other purposes,

Was taken up, and Senate's amendments thereto concurred in by the House.

On motion of Mr. Meek,

Senate Bill, No. 76, to divide and equally apportion the Academy fund of Jefferson county between Maury Academy and Danridge Female Academy,

Was taken up, and Senate's amendments to House amendments to the same, were concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Armstrong,

Bill, No. 206, to incorporate the Hibernia Mining Company, and for other purposes,

Was taken up, and Senate's amendments thereto were concurred in.

The Doorkeeper having returned from his mission, the House took up the motion of Mr. Brien.

Upon the motion, Mr. Galbreath demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carmichael, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek,

Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—34.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—33.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33

The motion prevailed, and Mr. Brien voted in opposition to the bill.

Mr. Davie obtained leave to enter his vote on the Journal in favor of the bill.

Mr. Shemwell asked and obtained leave to change his vote on the amendment of Mr. White to Bill, No. 330, on yesterday.

Mr. Rudd asked and obtained leave to change his vote on Bill, No. 18.

Senate Bill, No. 24, to prevent circuitry of action, to enable courts of law to do justice, and to save costs to parties litigant,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 35, To authorize the several courts of this State to adjudge costs which have been omitted in taxing the costs,

Was taken up.

Mr. Nixon offered an amendment directing the Attorneys General of this State not to move against any Circuit Court Clerks under the act of 1794, chapter, 1, section 26, after the lapse of four years.

The amendment was adopted, and the bill passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 36, to establish a criminal court at the City of Knoxville,

Was taken up.

Mr. Armstrong presented a memorial from the Grand and Petit Juries of Knox county, praying for the establishment of said court.

On the passage of the bill, Mr. Mathis demanded the ayes and noes:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Colburn, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fielder, Fort, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Watkins, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—46.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gallaway, Kimble, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Pogue, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—21.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	46
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21

The bill then passed second.

Mr. Harris from the Committee on Enrolled Bills reported Bill, No. 479, as correctly engrossed.

Senate Bill, No. 38, to amend an act entitled An act to declare the powers of County Courts in the administration of estates in certain particulars, passed 26th February, 1852,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 42, to amend an act entitled An act to amend the criminal laws of the State, passed February 28th, 1852,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 57, to establish the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit, Was taken up.

Mr. Colquet moved

• The indefinite postponement of the bill.

The previous question was called on the motion.

The House sustained the call.

Mr. Colquet demanded the ayes and noes, on the motion:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brien, Bullen, Carmichael, Colquet, Cowden, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Kimble, Little, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Runnels, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—25.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Colburn, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Snodgrass, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—41.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	41

The motion failed.

Mr. Galbreath called for the previous question, on the passage of the bill.

The House refused to sustain the call.

Mr. Cavitt offered an amendment, striking out "Haywood," and inserting "Tipton" in the bill; and adding McNairy and Decatur to the Tenth Judicial Circuit; and fixing the times of holding the courts in the Ninth Judicial Circuit.

Mr. Colquet offered an amendment, inserting Jackson and Overton counties in lieu of Marion county.

Mr. Parks offered an amendment, attaching Humphreys county to the Ninth Judicial Circuit.

Mr. Pope offered an amendment, inserting Bledsoe, instead of Marion, in the bill.

Mr. Parks, by leave of the House, withdrew his amendment.

Mr. Temple moved

To refer the bill and amendments to a Select Committee of three from each grand division of the State.

The motion prevailed, and the reference was ordered.

Mr. Brown of Madison, from the Committee on Internal Improvements, reported as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom Senate Bill, No. 198, entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the Nashville and Cincinnati Railroad, and the acts amendatory thereto, have had the same under consideration; and a majority of said Committee have directed me to report the bill back to the House, and recommend its passage.

H. BROWN,
Chairman.

Senate Bill, No. 60, to increase the salary of the Attorney General and Reporter of the State,

Was taken up.

Mr. Harris moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

Mr. Dunnington called the previous question on the passage of the bill.

The House sustained the call.

Mr. Dunnington demanded the ayes and noes on the passage of the bill :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hutton, Holmes, Kimble, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wood of Hardeman, Mr. Speaker Brown—38.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Campbell, Cavitt, Colquet, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—29.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	38
Noes,	.	-	-	-	-	29

The bill passed second reading.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 7 o'clock, to-night.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The special order, being

Senate Bill, No. 98, to provide for the payment of certain State Bonds, and the bill in lieu, recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means,

Was taken up.

The bill in lieu was adopted.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Shemwell, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—46.

Noes—Messrs. Brien, Fort, Kimble, Mabry, and Meek—5.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	46
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	5

Senate Bill, No. 65, to amend an act passed March 2, 1852, chapter 262, entitled An act to amend the charter of the Stone's River and Statesville Turnpike Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Campbell offered an amendment, incorporating the Big Creek Turnpike Company, in Cocke county.

The amendment was adopted, and the bill passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 67, to amend the Criminal Laws of this State, Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 68, to amend the Criminal Laws of this State, and for other purposes,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 69, to charter the Alexandria and Roane Turnpike Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Temple offered an amendment, incorporating the Spring Avenue Company.

The amendment was adopted, and the bill passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 70, to incorporate the Murfreesboro Building and Loan Association,

Was taken up.

Mr. Davie offered an amendment, incorporating the Montgomery Building and Loan Association.

Mr. Holmes offered an amendment, amendatory of the charter of the Memphis Typographical Association.

The amendments were adopted, and the bill passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 72, to provide an annual sum for the support and maintenance of the Deaf and Dumb Asylum, at Knoxville,

Was taken up.

Mr. Holmes offered an amendment, appropriating eight thousand dollars, annually, to the Memphis Hospital, payable semi-annually.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To amend by striking out of the original bill, "ten thousand," and inserting "eight thousand dollars."

Mr. Cox offered an amendment, appropriating annully the sum of thirty-five hundred dollars to the Hospital of the State of Tennessee, at Nashville.

Mr. Looney moved

To lay Mr. Cox's amendment on the table.

Mr. Cowden demanded the ayes and noes:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Fielder, Gleaves, Harris, Kinney, Little, Looney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Parks, Rudd, Stovall, Tompkins, Wallace, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—29.

Noes—Messrs. Bartlett, Brien, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Fort, Holmes, Kimble, Mabry, Meek, Pogue, Runnels, Shemwell, Temple, Tipton, Welcker, White, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—21.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Shemwell moved

To lay Mr. Holmes's amendment on the table.

Mr. Holmes demanded the ayes and noes:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bullen, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Cowden, Fielder, Harris, Little, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Northcutt, Shemwell, Tipton, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—20.

Noes—Messrs. Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Campbell, Carlock Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes. Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Stovall, Temple, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—33.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33

The motion failed.

Mr. S ovall moved

To amend the amendment of Mr. Holmes, by inserting "five thousand dollars" in lieu of "eight thousand dollars."

The motion prevailed, and the amendment, as amended, was adopted.

Mr. Cox offered an amendment, appropriating two thousand dollars per annum to the Blind School.

Mr. Tipton moved

To insert twenty-five hundred dollars in lieu of two thousand.

Mr. Cox withdrew his amendment.

Mr. Bullen offered an amendment, providing an appropriation of one hundred and fifty dollars per annum for each pauper pupil who cannot read or write, and providing that no pupil who has received a common school education shall be benefitted, and providing that the appropriation shall not exceed four thousand dollars per annum.

The amendment was,

On motion of Mr. Brien,

Laid on the table.

Mr. Armstrong moved

To lay Mr. Cavitt's amendment on the table.

Mr. Stovall demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Carmichael, Davie, Fort, Harris, Holmes, Meek, Runnels, Temple, Thomas, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, and White—14.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, Cox, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Gleaves, Hatton, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Rudd, Shemwell, Stovall, Tipton, Tompkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—40.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40

The motion failed.

Mr. Cavitt's amendment was adopted.

Mr. Mathis called the previous question on the bills as amended.

The House sustained the call.

The bill then passed second reading.

The Speaker appointed the following Committee to take into consideration Senate Bill, No. 57, to establish the 15th Judicial Circuit :—Messrs. Temple, Parks, White, Meek, Welcker, Hatton, Nixon, Cavitt, and Brown of Madison.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 22, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported o
Bills, Nos. 316 and 64,

As correctly engrossed ;

And on Bills, Nos. 155, 220, and 330,

As correctly enrolled.

Mr. Brazelton introduced Resolution, No. 167, as follows :

Resolved, That the Commissioners on the Capitol be requested to report to this General Assembly, whether the services of the architect are indispensable to the completion of the Capitol ; and if so, to report the probable time such services will be required.

On motion,

The rule was suspended, and the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Holmes introduced Resolution, No. 168, as follows :

Resolved, That all the Chancellors of the State of Tennessee be, and they are hereby, requested to meet in the city of Nashville, at such time as may suit their convenience, to amend old and make such new rules of practice for the Chancery Courts of this State as they may deem necessary and proper.

On motion,

The rule was suspended.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, moved

To strike out Chancellors and insert Judges of the Supreme Court.

The motion failed.

The resolution was then adopted.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Algee, on account of important business.

Mr. Donelson called up the motion heretofore entered, to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 264, for the relief of John S. Petway.

The Speaker ruled the motion to reconsider out of order, on account of the fact that a motion had been previously entertained.

Mr. Harris called up the motion heretofore entered, to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 294, to charter the Jonesboro Bank.

On the motion to reconsider, Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Carmichael, Colburn, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Gallaway, Harris, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Richey, Rudd, Tipton, Wallace, Welcker, White, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—29.

Noes—Messrs. Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Cowden, Donelson, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Hatton, Kimble, Little, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Run-

nels, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Tompkins, Ward, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—28.

Ayes,	- - - - -	29
Noes,	- - - - -	28

The House reconsidered the vote.

On the passage of the bill Mr. Cavitt called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill was then rejected by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Colburn, Davie, Gallaway, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Myatt, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Temple, Tipton, Wallace, Welcker, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—29.

Noes—Messrs. Brazelton, Bobo, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Gleaves, Hatton, Little, Mathis, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Tompkins, Ward, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman—30.

Ayes,	- - - - -	29
Noes,	- - - - -	30

Mr. Meek entered a motion to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 232, to charter the White Plains and Montgomery Turnpike Company.

On motion of Mr. Newman,

The motion to reconsider was taken up.

Mr. Stovall demanded the ayes and noes on the motion :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Burch, Colquet, Cox, Davie, Dunnington, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Taylor, Tipton, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside—29.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cowden, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Mathis, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Temple, Tompkins, Watkins, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—33.

Ayes,	- - - - -	29
Noes,	- - - - -	33

The House refused to reconsider.

Mr. Davie called up Resolution, No. 166, addressed to the Legislature of Louisiana, in relation to the system of involuntary inspection.

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Brown, of Madison called up the motion, heretofore entered,

to reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 85 and 87, to establish a conventional interest, and for other purposes.

Mr. Holmes demanded the ayes and noes on the motion to reconsider :

Ayes—Messrs. Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Cavitt, Cowden, Cox, Dortch, Holmes, Little, Looney, Mabry, Pope, Smith, Stovall, Temple, Ward, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—24.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Davie, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Kimble, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Tipton, Wallace, Watkins, and Wilson of Marshall—36.

Ayes,	- - - - -	24 .
Noes,	- - - - -	36

The House refused to reconsider.

Mr. Smith returned Bill, No. 314, to regulate the rate of interest on specific contracts,

And asked that it be taken up and considered.

The Speaker decided that the bill could not be entertained, as the House had already rejected a bill containing the same substance.

Mr. Whiteside returned Bill, No. 342, to amend an act entitled An act to incorporate the Western Central Turnpike Company, and for other purposes,

And asked that it be taken up and considered.

The House refused to take it up.

Mr. Kimble moved

To make it the special order for Monday night next at 7 o'clock.

The motion failed.

Mr. Carlock moved

To take up bill, No. 212, to authorize the election of an additional Justice of the Peace for the ninth civil district in Blount county, and for other purposes,

For the purpose of concurring in Senate's amendments thereto.

The motion failed.

Mr. Brien moved

To take up Bill, No. 448, for the relief of the different counties of the State.

The motion failed.

The bill was then made the special order for to-night at 7 o'clock.

Senate Bill, No. 73, to incorporate the Holston Conference Preachers' Aid Society,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 77, to amend the charter of the United Firemen's Insurance Company, of Nashville, passed February 25, 1852,

Was taken up.

Mr. Taylor offered an amendment, incorporating the Home and Mutual Insurance Company.

The amendment was adopted and the bill passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 83, to amend an act to incorporate the Mississippi River Levee Company, and the Forked Deer and Obion Levee Company,

Senate Bill, No. 79, to amend an act entitled An act to incorporate the Nashville, Franklin, and Columbia Railroad Company,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 85, to relinquish the State interest in the Forked Deer Turnpike Road to Wm. D. Scales and the other private stockholders in said road,

Passed its second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 88, to settle the law of sales in equity,

Passed its second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 95, to amend the charter of the Edgefield Bucket and Broom Manufacturing Company,

Passed its second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 100, to provide a remedy in favor of private individuals against the State of Tennessee,

Passed its second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 102, to amend the act of 1815, ch. 20, in relation to garnishments,

Passed its second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 105, to economise the contingent expenses of the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee,

Passed its second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 106, to amend the charter of the Knoxville and Kentucky Railroad Company,

Passed its second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 108, to provide permanent burial grounds for the dead in each and every civil district in this State,

Was taken up.

Mr. Parks moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Hatton moved

To take up Senate Bill, No. 198, to amend the charter of the Nashville and Cincinnati Railroad Company, and the acts amendatory thereto.

The motion prevailed.

The bill was taken up, and passed its second reading.

The following Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk:

MR. SPEAKER:

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts as follows and the same have been deposited with the Secretary of State:

To secure the rights of land-holders.

To amend the first section; ch. 1, of an act passed in the year 1804.

For the benefit of the Rogersville and Jefferson Railroad.

To amend the practice in the trial of Criminal Causes, and for other purposes.

To incorporate the Synod of Nashville, the Mount Olivet Cemetery, &c., and for other purposes..

The Senate has passed, without amendment, House Bills as follows :

No. 209, a bill to make certain acts a misdemeanor.

No. 149, to amend the 15th section of an act, passed February 28, 1852, entitled

An act to charter the Nashville, Franklin and Columbia Turnpike Company.

No. 282, to prescribe the duty of the County Court of Davidson county in disposing of the Sinking Fund of said county, created to pay railroad stock, and for other purposes.

And the Senate has amended and passed House bills as follows:

No. 362, to incorporate Eureka College, and for other purposes.

No. 212, to authorize the election of an additional Justice of the Peace for the 9th civil district of Blount county, and for other purposes.

No. 191, to incorporating the Cumberland Manufacturing Company, and for other purposes.

No. 288½, to charter the Strawberry Plains and Sevierville Turnpike Company, and for other purposes.

No. 138, to alter the county lines of Maury and Marshall, and for other purposes.

No. 317, to authorize the County Court of Decatur county to lay off an additional civil district, and for other purposes.

No. 290, to charter the Bluff City Building and Loan Association Company and for other purposes.

And the same are herewith transmitted for concurrence and enrollment.

The Senate has rejected House bills as follows:

No. 121, to prohibit the adulterating of spiritous liquors in this state.

No. 45, to amend the charter of the McMinnville and Smithville Turnpike Company, and to secure the completion of the said road.

No. 161, to provide for the widows and children.

No. 178, to establish a State Normal School.

No. 211, to amend the first section of the act of 1850, chapter 10, passed February 8, 1850.

No. 233, to incorporate the Lafayette and Red Sulphur Springs Turnpike Company, and to secure its completion, by State credit, and for other purposes.

No. 251, for the benefit of Revenue Collectors and Constables.

No. 357, requiring Trustees to make settlement.

No. 323, authorizing Collectors to make titles to land sold by them for taxes.

And the same are herewith returned.

The Senate has passed on third and last reading Senate Bill. No. 80, entitled

A bill to regulate weights and measures.

And the same is herewith transmitted for the consideration of the House of Representatives.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2½ o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Cowden,

Bill, No. 138, to alter the dividing lines of Maury and Marshall, and for other purposes,

Was taken up, and Senate's amendments thereto were concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Meek,

All Senate Messages not acted on,

Were taken up.

Bill, No. 21, giving further time to perfect titles to lands in this State,

Was taken up, and Senate's amendment thereto concurred in.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported Resolution, No. 166, as correctly engrossed, and

Bill, No. 282, as correctly enrolled.

Bill, No. 82, to amend the act of 1817, chap. 54, sec. 1 and 2 and the act of 1823, chap. 21, sec. 1, and the act of 1835, chap. 17, sec. 4, regulating motions against Constables and their securities, and to prescribe the fees of officers in certain cases,

Was taken up.

Mr. Welcker obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 506, to regulate the duties of Trustees and Assignees, and offered it as an amendment to the Senate amendment to the bill under consideration.

Mr. Brien, (for Mr. Snodgrass,) offered an amendment, authorizing guardians and other trustees to invest the trust fund in any incorporated manufacturing establishment in this State;

Which was, on motion of Mr. Donelson, laid on the table.

Mr. Welcker's amendment was adopted.

Mr. Tipton offered an amendment, legalizing the official acts of Justices of the Peace in certain cases.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Parks offered an amendment, providing that overseers of roads shall serve one year in three, instead of one year in five.

On motion,

Mr. Parks's amendment was laid on the table.

The Senate amendment, as amended, was non-concurred in by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Burch, Carlock, Davie, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Mabry, Meek, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Taylor, Tipton, Wallace, Welcker, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—26.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brazelton, Brien Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Tompkins, Whiteside, and Wood of Cannon—28.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28

Mr. Cavitt moved

To reconsider the vote just taken.

The House reconsidered the vote.

Mr. Tipton obtained leave to withdraw his amendment.

Mr. Welcker obtained leave to withdraw his amendment.

Mr. Hatton moved

That the House recede from its non-concurrence in Senate's amendment.

Mr. Tipton moved

To lay Mr. Hatton's motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table failed.

The House refused to recede by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Carlock, Cavitt, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Shemwell, Smith, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—27.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carmichael, Colquet, Cowden, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Newman,

Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Stovall, Taylor, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, and Wood of Cannon—29.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29

House Bill, No. 290, to charter the Bluff City Building and Loan Association Company, and for other purposes,

Was taken up, and Senate's amendments concurred in.

Bill, No. 183, to amend the charter of the city of Nashville, and for other purposes,

Was taken up, and Senate's amendment concurred in.

Bill, No. 285, to allow railroad companies to increase their capital stock, and for other purposes,

Was taken up, and Senate's amendments concurred in.

Bill, No. 167, to authorize the establishment of the Memphis Water Works, and for other purposes, &c.,

Was taken up.

Mr. Armstrong obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 397, to amend an act to charter the Sevier Turnpike Road, and to grant State aid thereto, and offered it as an amendment to the Senate's amendments to the bill under consideration.

The amendment was adopted, and the amendments, as amended, were concurred in.

Bill, No. 208, to incorporate Collierville Female College, in Shelby county, Tennessee, and for other purposes,

Was taken up, and Senate's amendments concurred in.

Bill, No. 250, to incorporate the East Tennessee Farming, Grape-growing, Stock-raising, and Manufacturing Company,

Was taken up, and Senate's amendments concurred in.

Bill, No. 194, to amend the 22d section of an act entitled

An act to incorporate the Mechanics' Library Association of Fayetteville, and to reduce the several acts incorporating the town of Jackson into one, and to amend the same, passed March 2, 1854,

Was taken up.

Mr. Wallace offered an amendment, providing that persons going to church, courts, muster, and mill, may pass the gates of the turnpike chartered in the Senate's amendment free of charge.

Mr. Tompkins offered an amendment, amendatory of the charter of the Cumberland and Stone's River Turnpike Company.

Mr. Brien offered an amendment, authorizing M. M. Brien to erect a fish-trap and dam on the Caney Fork River, in DeKalb county.

The amendments were adopted, and Senate's amendment, as amended, was concurred in.

Bill, No. 246, to incorporate the Fountain Fire Company, No. 1, of the city of Knoxville, and for other purposes,

Was taken up, and Senate's amendment concurred in.

Bill, No. 146, to amend the act of 1825, chapter 56,

Was taken up.

On motion of Mr. Brown, of Madison,

The House insisted on its amendment to Senate's amendment to the same.

Bill, No. 258, to extend the corporate limits of the town of Unionville, and for other purposes,

Was taken up, and Senate's amendment concurred in.

Bill, No. 288½, to charter the Strawberry Plains and Sevierville Turnpike Company, and for other purposes,

Was taken up, and Senate's amendment concurred in.

Bill, No. 317, to authorize the County Court of Decatur county to lay off an additional civil district, and for other purposes,

Was taken up, and Senate's amendments concurred in.

Bill, No. 212, to authorize the election of an additional Justice of the Peace for the Ninth Civil District, in Blount county, and for other purposes, was taken up.

Mr. Armstrong offered an amendment to the Senate's amendment, extending to the town Constable of the town of Newport the same powers as other Constables of Cocke county.

Mr. Runnels offered an amendment, extending the provisions of the act to the town of Wartrace.

The amendments were adopted.

On motion of Mr. Harris,

The bill and amendments were laid on the table for the present.

Bill, No. 362, to incorporate Eureka College, and for other purposes,

Was taken up, and Senate's amendments concurred in.

Bill, No. 191, to incorporate the Cumberland Manufacturing Company, and for other purposes,

Was taken up, and Senate's amendments concurred in.

Bill, No. 368, to incorporate the Stewart's College, in Montgomery county, and for other purposes,

Was taken up, and Senate's amendments concurred in.

Senate Bill, No. 160, to authorize the construction of a railroad from Shelbyville to the line of Alabama, *via* Lewisburg and Pulaski,

Was taken up, and

On motion of Mr. Mabry,

The House insisted on its amendment to the same.

Senate Resolution, No. 66, directory to the Presidents and Cashiers of the Bank of Tennessee, and of the Union and Planters' Banks,

Was adopted.

Senate Resolution, No. 71, to provide for the printing and binding of the revised Statutes, &c.,

Was taken up.

Mr. Newman offered a resolution in lieu.

Mr. Hatton offered a resolution in lieu.

Mr. Hatton moved

To lay the resolution of Mr. Newman on the table.

The motion failed.

Mr. Cavitt called the previous question, on the adoption of the resolution of Mr. Newman.

The House sustained the call.

The resolution was adopted in lieu

Upon the adoption of the resolution, the vote was as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Kimble, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—28.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carmichael, Cox, Davie, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, and Wilson of Carroll—33.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33

The resolution was rejected.

Senate Resolution, No. 62, preamble and resolution to the Congress of the United States,

Was taken up.

Mr. Galbreath offered an amendment, asking an appropriation for the improvement of the navigation of Cumberland River.

Mr. Newman moved

To lay resolution and amendment on the table.

Mr. Galbreath demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Bobo, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Cowden, Cox, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Northcutt, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Tipton, Ward, and Wood of Cannon—34.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Burch, Fort, Galbreath, Holmes, Meek, Myatt, Pogue, Runnels, Temple, Tompkins, Wallace, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—21.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Dortch moved

A reconsideration of the vote passing Senate Bill, No. 98, to provide for the payment of certain State bonds, on third reading.

The House reconsidered the vote.

Mr. Dortch offered a section in lieu of the first section of the bill.

The section in lieu was adopted by the House.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—54.

Noes—Messrs. Brien, Cavitt, Fort, Kimble, and Wallace—5.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	54
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	5

On motion of Mr. Fielder,

Bill, No. 416, for the benefit of Connell and Ferguson, and Isaac Sampson,

Was taken up.

Mr. Parks offered an amendment to the first section of the bill, providing that the erection of the dam shall not interfere with the navigation of the stream.

Mr. Bobo offered an amendment, authorizing the County Court of Lincoln county to erect a bridge over Elk River, at or near Fayetteville.

Mr. Wallace obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 350, to authorize Wm Ridenour to erect a dam, &c.,

And offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

Mr. Ball offered an amendment, providing that millers in this State shall not be liable for the loss of bags at their mills, unless the bags are marked with the initials of their owners' names.

The amendment of Mr. Ball was, on motion, laid on the table.

The other amendments were adopted, and the bill passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—55.

Noes—None.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	55
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	00

On motion of Mr. Fielder,

Bill, No. 367, to amend an act entitled An act to incorporate the Mechanics' Library Association, of the town of Fayetteville, and for other purposes, passed March 2, 1854,

Was taken up.

On motion of their respective Representatives,

The counties of Carter, Greene, Stewart, Hawkins, Bradley, and Obion, were included within the benefits of the provisions of the bill.

On motion of Mr. Fielder,

March was stricken out, and April inserted in lieu.

The bill then passed third reading.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Senate has passed, on third and last reading, House Bill, No. 267, entitled

A bill to create and regulate the office of County Judge ;

And I am directed to transmit the same for enrollment.

The Senate has also passed, on third and last reading, House Bill, No. 368, to incorporate the Stewart College, in Montgomery county, and for other purposes, after amending the same ;

And I am directed to transmit the same for the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 7 o'clock, to-night.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House pursuant to adjournment.

Bill, No. 448, for the benefit of the different counties of this State, being the special order,

Was taken up.

Upon the passage of the bill, the vote was as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Carmichael, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Fielder, Fort,

Galbreath, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Parks, Shemwell, Taylor, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Carroll, and Mr. Speaker Brown—31.

Noes—Messrs. Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Cavitt Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Gleaves, Harris, Kimble, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Rudd, Stovall, Temple, Tipton, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman—25.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25

The bill passed third reading.

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

Bill, No. 464, to settle and establish the line between Shelby and Tipton counties,

Was taken up.

Mr. Fielder moved

To amend, by filling the blank in first section with the name of William Conner; and in the event of the failure to accept, James A. Rodgers.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Fielder moved

To fill the blank in section 3, with ten cents per hundred words; and to fill the blank in section 4, with ten dollars per day for the surveyor, and two dollars and a half per day for the chain-carriers.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Rudd offered an amendment, changing the line between Monroe and Polk counties;

And an amendment, changing the line between Monroe and McMinn counties.

The amendments were adopted.

Mr. Pope offered an amendment, attaching the tenth civil district of Bledsoe county, and the first and second civil districts of Marion county, to the county of Hamilton.

Mr. Carlock moved

A reconsideration of the vote adopting the second amendment of Mr. Rudd.

The House reconsidered the vote.

Mr. Rudd then, by leave of the House, withdrew the amendment changing the line between Monroe and McMinn counties.

Mr. Pope, by leave of the House, withdrew his amendment.

Mr. Galbreath (for Mr. Snodgrass) offered an amendment, changing the line between the counties of White and Putnam;

Which Mr. Carlock obtained leave to withdraw.

Mr. Fielder called the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

Upon the passage of the bill, Mr. Holmes demanded the ayes and noes:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Cavitt, Colquet, Davie, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath,

Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Shemwell, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Whiteside, and Wood of Cannon—34.

Noes—Messrs. Bartlett, Brien, Burch, Carlock, Cowden, Cox, Dortch, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Looney, Mabry, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Runnels, Thomas, Welcker, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—21.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	34
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	21

The bill passed third reading.

On motion,

The House then took up Senate bills on second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 110, to authorize and regulate the pay of the Messenger of the Senate,

Was taken up.

Mr. Tipton called the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill then passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 113, to increase the powers of Circuit and County Court Clerks,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 117, to amend the several acts chartering a turnpike road from Tazewell to Knoxville,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 118, to amend the acts incorporating the town of Gallatin,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 124, to change the county line between the counties of Lewis and Maury,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 125, to provide for the gradual enlargement of the Library of the State, and for the custody of the same,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 127, to authorize certain counties to take stock in railroads, and to issue the bonds of said counties for the same,

Was taken up.

Mr. Bullen (for Mr. Cloud) offered an amendment, providing that the stock subscribed by Claiborne county to the Cincinnati, Cumberland Gap, and Charleston Railroad Company, shall be expended in said county.

The amendment was adopted, and the bill passed second reading.

Mr. Pope moved

A reconsideration of the vote passing Senate Bill, No. 124, to change the county line between the counties of Maury and Lewis.

The House reconsidered the vote.

Mr. Pope offered an amendment, attaching the tenth civil district of Bledsoe county, and the first and second civil districts of Marion county, to the county of Hamilton.

The amendment was adopted, and the bill passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 128, to protect the widow and orphans,
Was taken up.

Mr. Stovall moved

A non-concurrence in the report of the Judiciary Committee.

The House refused to non-concur.

The bill then passed second reading.

Mr. Pogue moved

To adjourn till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning, it being five minutes before 10 o'clock.

Mr. Galbreath demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Brien, Burch, Campbell, Cox, Davie, Fort, Galbreath, Kinney, Little, Pogue, Stovall, Thomas, Whiteside, and Wood of Cannon—16.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Shemwell, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, White, Wilson of Carroll, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—34.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34

The motion failed.

Mr. Tipton moved

To adjourn till 12 o'clock, to-morrow.

The motion failed.

Mr. Nixon moved

To adjourn till 8½ o'clock, to-morrow morning.

The motion prevailed, and the House adjourned.

SATURDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 23, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Newman moved a call of the House.

Present—

Messrs. Ball, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis,

Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Richey, Rudd, Tipton, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown--34.

On motion of Mr. Harris,

The call was suspended.

Mr. Cavitt moved

A further call of the House ; when, in addition to the gentlemen already present, the following gentlemen answered to their names:

Messrs. Bobo, Burch, Cavitt, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Meek, Parks, Pope, Smith, Stovall, White, and Wood of Cannon--18.

Mr. Hatton introduced Resolution, No. 169, to provide for the distribution of the report of the State Geologist.

On motion,

The rule was suspended.

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Nixon, from the Committee on Claims, reported on Senate Bill, No. 157, for the benefit of Kinsloe and Brother, and recommended a section in lieu after the enacting clause, and the passage of the bill.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported Bill, No. 508, as correctly engrossed, and on Bills, Nos. 21, 138, 149, 182, 209, and 246, as correctly enrolled.

Mr. Dunnington called up Resolution, No. 122½, directory to the Secretary of State, for the benefit of J. G. M. Ramsey.

Mr. Harris moved

To lay the resolution on the table.

The motion failed.

Mr. Tipton moved

To strike out \$1000, which motion,

On motion of Mr. Cavitt,

Was laid on the table.

On the adoption of the resolution, the following vote was had:

Ayes--Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Nixon, Parks, Rudd, Shemwell, Stovall, Wallace, Ward, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown--34.

Noes--Messrs. Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Bullen, Campbell, Carmichael, Colquet, Fort, Gallaway, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Northcutt, Pogue, Richey, Smith, Taylor, Tipton, Watkins, and Welcker--22.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34.
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22

The resolution was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

Resolution, No. 161, recommending the appointment by Congress of an accredited Commercial Agent, resident in foreign ports.

Was taken up.

The resolution was adopted.

Senate Bill, No. 129, to abolish military duties,

Was taken up.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, offered a bill in lieu.

Mr. Bullen moved

An amendment to the bill in lieu, providing that County Courts shall have power to make allowance to constables for services rendered, as required by the bill.

The amendment,

On motion of Mr. Stovall,

Was laid on the table.

Mr. Newman called the previous question.

The call was sustained.

Mr. Newman moved

A reconsideration of the vote sustaining the call.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Hatton moved

To lay the subject on the table.

The motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Cox,

House Bill, No. 212, to authorize the election of an additional Justice of the Peace for the 9th civil district of Blount county, and for other purposes,

Was taken up;

And the Senate's amendment thereto, as amended, were concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Nixon,

Senate Bill, No. 181, to amend the charter of the Central Southern Railroad,

Was taken up, and passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 131, to amend the criminal laws of the State in relation to slaves,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 133½, to apportion one half of the Academy Fund of Overton county to the Academy in the 11th civil district,

Was, on motion of Mr. Colquet,

Indefinitely postponed.

Senate Bill, No. 140, to regulate the distribution of the estates of intestates,

Was, on motion of Mr. Ward,

Indefinitely postponed.

Senate Bill, No. 144, for the benefit of Huntsville Academy, in Scott county,

Was rejected.

Senate Bill, No. 145, for the benefit of children in fractional townships, where any township is divided by county lines,

Passed second reading.

Senate bill, No. 146, to amend the act passed 11th February, 1852, entitled An act to establish a system of Internal Improvements in this State,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 147, for the benefit of citizens of Columbia, and for other purposes,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 148, to incorporate the Fulton Plank Road Company,

Passed second reading.

Mr. Cox moved

A reconsideration of the vote concurring in Senate's amendments to House Bill, No. 212, concurred in this morning.

The vote was reconsidered.

Mr. Cavitt offered an amendment, providing that this act shall not authorize any town, not being a county seat, to have more than one Justice of the Peace.

The amendment was adopted ;

And the Senate's amendments, as amended, were then concurred in.

Senate Bill, No. 155, to change the name of the Mossy Creek Missionary Baptist Seminary, in Jefferson county, to the name of Mossy Creek Baptist College,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No 152, to amend the charter of the Gallatin Turnpike Company,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 158, for the benefit of slaves who acquired the right to freedom before 24th February, 1854,

Was taken up.

Mr. Gleaves offered an amendment, granting free persons of color to select masters, and go into voluntary servitude.

Mr. Galbreath obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 465, to amend an act passed 1854, chapter 50,

And offered it as an amendment to the bill.

Mr. Harris moved

To strike out the words "heirs at law," and insert "common school fund of this State."

Mr. Brown, of Madison, offered an amendment, as follows :

That slaves shall not be emancipated by any last will and testament, in any manner, or for any purpose, or to any extent whatever.

Mr. Parks moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill and amendments.

Upon which motion, Mr. Shemwell called for the ayes and noes:

Ayes--Messrs. Brien, Brown of Madison, Cox, Gallaway, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Tipton, Ward, White, Whiteside, and Mr. Speaker Brown—20.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Kimble, Looney, Mabry, Newman, Northcutt, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Wallace, Watkins, Welcker, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—34.

Ayes,	- - - - -	20
Noes,	- - - - -	34

The House refused to indefinitely postpone.

Mr. Brazelton offered an amendment, providing that no person shall sell, or otherwise dispose of any slave that may have gone into voluntary servitude, for a higher price than they paid for the same.

Mr. Bullen moved

To lay the subject on the table.

The motion failed.

Mr. Bullen offered a bill in lieu of the bill and amendments.

Mr. Hatton moved

To lay the bill in lieu on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Harris moved

To lay the amendment offered by Mr. Galbreath on the table.

Upon which Mr. Galbreath demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Colquet, Davie, Fielder, Fort, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Kinney, Looney, Massengill, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Tipton, Wallace, Ward, and Mr. Speaker Brown—23.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Holmes, Kimble, Mabry, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—29.

Ayes,	- - - - -	23
Noes,	- - - - -	29

The motion to lay on the table failed.

Mr. Hatton moved

To refer the entire subject to a committee of three, to be appointed by the Chair.

The motion prevailed.

Senate Bill, No. 162, to charter the Flat Creek Female Academy in Bedford county, &c.,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 165, to legalize the official acts of certain Justices of the Peace,

Was taken up.

Mr. Tipton offered an amendment, providing that the formation of new districts shall not invalidate the proceedings of a magis-

trate elected in an old, and by changing the lines, included in a new district.

Mr. Shemwell moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

The motion prevailed.

The bill then passed second reading.

Mr. Ball entered a motion to reconsider the vote on Senate Bill, No. 144, for the benefit of Huntsville Academy in Scott county.

Mr. Kinney entered a motion to reconsider the vote on Senate Bill, No. 140, to regulate the distribution of the estates of intestates.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Myatt and Mr. Wilson of Carroll.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, from the Committee on Internal Improvements, reported as follows :

MR. SPEAKER:

The Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom sundry Senate Bills and House Petitions were referred, have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report thereon as follows :

Senate Bill, No. 109, to incorporate the Ashport and Ripley Plank Road Company.

The Committee recommend the passage of this bill.

Senate Bill, No. 197, a bill to be entitled An act, defining the duties of the Commissioner of Roads.

The Committee recommend the passage of this bill.

Senate Bill, No. 204, a bill to amend the charter of the Atlantic, Tennessee and Ohio Railroad.

The Committee recommend the rejection of this bill.

Petitions 34 and 35. The Committee ask to be discharged from the consideration of these petitions,

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. BROWN, Chairman.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Senate Bill, No. 109, to incorporate the Ashport and Ripley Plank Road Company,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 166, to incorporate the Manchester College,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 167, to regulate the fees of Attorneys General in certain cases,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 169, to authorize Justices of the Peace to take bonds and recognizances for the appearance of defendants in State prosecutions before themselves,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 173, to extend the corporate limits of Vernon,

Was taken up.

Mr. Whiteside moved

To strike out "L. H. Nunnelly."

The motion prevailed, and the bill passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 174, to change the time of holding the Circuit Court at Manchester,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 176, to extend further time to C. F. Welcker, W. S. Centre, and A. Adkisson, to construct a turnpike road,

Was taken up.

Mr. Ball offered an amendment extending to the Cumberland Gap and Washington County Turnpike Company to organize and bring themselves within the provisions of their charter.

The amendment was adopted, and the bill passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 177, to confer certain powers on the Surveyors of the respective counties of this State,

Was taken up.

Mr. Mathis offered an amendment providing that hereafter the number of jurors to settle disputed lines between parties shall be five.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, offered an amendment amendatory of the law in relation to Sheriffs and Revenue Collectors.

The amendments were adopted, and the bill passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 179, to incorporate Rockford Manufacturing Company,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 182, for the benefit of the Commissioners of the East Tennessee Fair,

Was taken up.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, obtained leave to withdraw.

Bill, No. 516, for the relief of James R. Taylor,
And offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.
Mr. Galbreath offered an amendment for the relief of Agnes Lee.

The amendments were adopted, and the bill passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 190, to change the county lines between the counties of White and Putnam,

Was, on motion of Mr. Galbreath,
Indefinitely postponed.

Senate Bill, No. 191, to change the county lines between Campbell and Scott,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 193, to provide for the payment of costs in prosecutions against slaves,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 196, to provide for paying magistrates for their services at quarterly courts,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 197, to define the duties of Commissioner of Roads,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 202, to establish the town of Centreville as a Common School District, &c.,

Was taken up.

Mr. Brien moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

The motion failed.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 455 to form a school district out of a portion of Rutherford and Cannon counties, and offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was then, on motion of Mr. Meek, passed over informally.

Senate Bill, No. 211, supplemental to an act passed February 27, 1852, entitled

An act to prescribe the mode of choosing Electors to vote for President and Vice President of the United States,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 204, to amend the charter of the Atlantic, Tennessee, and Ohio Railroad Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, moved

To amend, by inserting after the word "railing," the words "and stock sufficient for the whole road."

The amendment was adopted, and the bill passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Whiteside,

Bill, No. 342, to amend an act entitled
An act to incorporate the Western Central Turnpike Company,
and for other purposes,
Was taken up.

Mr. Whiteside offered a bill in lieu.

The bill in lieu was adopted, and passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Colburn,

Bill, No. 433, to repeal so much of an act passed January 27,
1854, as authorizes Blount county to levy a tax to pay interest, &c.,
Was taken up and passed third reading.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their
Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts as follows,
and the same have been deposited with the Secretary of State :

An act to prevent incompetent persons from teaching free schools,
and for other purposes.

An act to aid in constructing a railroad from Chattanooga to
the East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad, in the direction of
Knoxville, and for the benefit of the East Tennessee and Virginia
Railroad ; for the benefit of the Nashville and North-Western Rail-
road ; for the benefit of the Memphis and Ohio Railroad Compa-
ny ; for the benefit of the Mobile and Ohio Railroad Company ; for
the benefit of the Winchester and Alabama, and the McMinville
and Manchester Railroad ; and to authorize the Governor to en-
dorse the bonds of the city of Memphis, issued or to be issued to
the Memphis and Little Rock Railroad Company.

An act to prescribe the duty of the County Court of Davidson
county, in disposing of the sinking fund of said county, created to
pay railroad stock, and for other purposes.

An act to make certain acts a misdemeanor.

To amend the act amending the act incorporating the Corners-
ville and Lewisburg Turnpike Company, to incorporate the Para-
dise Hill and Clarksville Turnpike Company, and to amend the
charter of the Cumberland and Stone's River Turnpike Company.

Giving further time to perfect titles to land in this State.

To alter the county lines of Maury and Marshall, to change the
line between the counties of Lincoln and Franklin, to change the
line between the counties of Rutherford and Davidson, and also
the lines between the counties of Anderson, Morgan, and Roane.

To amend the 15th section of an act passed February 28, 1852,
entitled

An act to charter the Nashville, Franklin, and Columbia Railroad
Company.

To incorporate the Fountain Fire Company, No. 1, and the Ni-
agara Fire Company, No. 2, of the city of Knoxville.

The Senate has amended and passed on third reading, House
Bills—

No. 284, to incorporate the Knoxville Bridge Company, and for other purposes.

No. 288, to exempt certain property from execution, and for other purposes.

No. 292, to amend the charter of the city of Nashville.

And has passed without amendment, House Bill, No. 204, to amend the act passed December 16, 1839, entitled

An act to provide for the probate and registration of deeds and other instruments executed beyond the limits of the United States, and for other purposes.

The Senate has adopted Senate Resolution, No. 72, entitled

A resolution in relation to school lands in the Hiwassee District.

And I have been directed immediately to transmit the same.

On motion,

Senate Messages not acted on, were taken up.

Bill, No. 284, to charter the Knoxville Bridge Company, and for other purposes,

Was taken up, and the first, second, and third Senate amendments were concurred in.

Mr. Davie moved

To amend the fourth amendment of the Senate, by providing that the Memphis and Ohio Railroad Company shall commence their grading on the Tennessee River, in a direct line towards Clarksville from Paris, Tennessee.

The motion failed.

The Senate amendment was then concurred in.

The remainder of Senate's amendments were concurred in.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. DeWitt, on account of sickness.

Mr. Bobo moved

A call of the House.

Present—

Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Cowden, Davie, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Tipton, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—51.

Present,	-	-	-	-	51
Absent,	-	-	-	-	24

Mr. Galbreath moved

To reconsider the vote indefinitely postponing Senate Bill, No. 190, to change the county line between White and Putnam.

The House reconsidered the vote.

The bill then passed second reading.

Bill, No. 272, to amend the charter of the city of Nashville,

Was taken up, and Senate's amendment concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Burch,

Bill, No. 387, for the benefit of Jesse Locke,

Was taken up and passed second reading.

On motion of Mr. Ball,

Mr. Galbreath was added to the Select Committee, to whom was referred

Senate Bill, No. 158, for the benefit of slaves who acquired a right to freedom before the 24th of February, 1854.

Senate Bill, No. 80, to regulate weights and measures in this State,

Passed first reading.

On motion of Mr. Wallace,

Bill, No. 415, to change the name of Ross Preswell to that of Ross Hurst,

Was taken up.

Various amendments were offered, and,

On motion of Mr. Cavitt,

The bill was passed over informally.

Senate Bill, No. 28, to protect property and restrict the sale of spirituous liquors,

Was, on motion of Mr. Bullen, indefinitely postponed.

Senate Bill, No. 206, to regulate the transfer of State aid from one company to another.

Passed its first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 212, to give defendants justice in prosecutions,

Passed its second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 214, to provide for the completion of the Capitol, and for other purposes,

Passed its first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 215, for the benefit of the Penitentiary of the State,

Passed its first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 217, to regulate the Agencies of Insurance Companies not incorporated by the State of Tennessee,

Passed its first reading.

On motion of Mr. White,

The Clerk was ordered to order the printing of two hundred and fifty copies of the Catalogue of Members and Officers of the House, showing their names, ages, residences, &c.

On motion of Mr. Cavitt,

The Secretary of State was requested to prepare a catalogue of the captions of all the general laws which have passed the present session of the General Assembly, and have one thousand copies of the same printed, for the use of the members of the General Assembly.

On motion of Mr. Cavitt,

Senate Bill, No. 214, to provide for the completion of the Capitol, and for other purposes,

Made the special order for Monday night next, at 7 o'clock.

On motion,

The House adjourned till Monday morning, 9 o'clock, to-night.

MONDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 25, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported Bills, Nos. 367, 419, and 448 as correctly engrossed; and on Bills, Nos. 204, 206, 250, 267, 272, 285, 317, and 320, as correctly enrolled.

Mr. Gleaves, from the Select Committee to whom was referred Senate Bill, No. 158, for the benefit of slaves who acquired a right to freedom before the 24th of February, 1854.

Reported a Bill in lieu, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Stovall called up the motion, heretofore entered, to reconsider the vote indefinitely postponing Senate Bill, No. 140, to regulate the distribution of estates of intestates.

The House reconsidered the vote.

Mr. Ward, then, by leave, withdrew his motion to postpone the bill.

The bill then passed its second reading.

Mr. Cavitt entered a motion to reconsider the vote indefinitely postponing Senate Bill, No. 28, to protect property, and restrict the sale of spiritous liquors.

Mr. Hatton introduced Resolution, No. 169, as follows:

Resolved, That the Agent of the Penitentiary be requested to furnish this House, immediately, a statement of the amount of work done by the convicts of that institution upon the State Capitol, since the 1st October, 1855; also, the amount of all other materials, if any, in addition to stone, furnished by the Penitentiary to be used upon the Capitol, together with the price charged for said work and material.

Resolved, That the Clerk of this House be requested to communicate, immediately, a copy of the foregoing resolution to the Agent of the Penitentiary.

Mr. Hatton moved

A suspension of the rule, in order to take up the resolution at once.

The motion prevailed,
And the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Carlock called up the motion just entered to reconsider the vote indefinitely postponing

Senate Bill, No. 28, to protect property, and restrict the sale of spiritous liquors.

The House reconsidered the vote.

Mr. Bullen then withdrew his motion to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Mr. Algee offered an amendment, declaring it a misdemeanor for any one to purchase any spiritous or vinous liquors, and drink the same on the premises where sold, and punishing the same with fine and imprisonment, at the discretion of the Court.

The amendment was,

On motion of Mr. Mathis,
Laid on the table.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, moved

To strike out all but that portion which refers to sales to minors and negroes.

Mr. Harris moved

To strike out the enacting clause and called for the previous question on the motion.

The House sustained the call.

Mr. Mathis then demanded the ayes and noes on the motion to strike out the enacting clause :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Campbell, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Watkins, Whiteside, and Wood of Hardeman—29.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madisou, Carlock, Cavitt, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fielder, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—28.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28

The motion prevailed.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Tipton, on account of severe illness.

Mr. Holmes, from the Committee on the Capitol, reported on Resolution, No. 143, directory to the Commissioners of the State Capitol, and requested to be discharged from its further consideration.

The Committee was discharged as requested.

On motion of Mr. Richey,

Bill, No. 488, for the benefit of citizens living near railroads,

Was taken up, and rejected by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Brazelton, Bullen, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Colburn, Cowden, Fielder, Kimble, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Watkins, White, Whiteside, and Mr. Speaker Brown—26.
 Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Bobo, Brien, Brown of Madison, Cavitt, Colquet, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Newman, Northcutt, Snodgrass, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—29.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29

On motion of Mr. Snodgrass,
 Senate Bill, No. 190, to change the county lines between White and Putnam,

Was taken up.

Mr. Snodgrass offered an amendment changing the line between said counties still further.

Mr. Kimble offered an amendment changing the line between the counties of Decatur and Hardin, and also presented a petition from the citizens contained in the territory proposed to be attached to Decatur, praying for the enactment of such a law.

Mr. Wallace offered an amendment in relation to the county lines of Campbell, Anderson and Roane.

Mr. Kimble obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 498, for the benefit of E. Lee, a citizen of Decatur county, and offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

Mr. Pope offered an amendment changing the line between the counties of Van Buren and Bledsoe.

The various amendments were adopted.

Mr. Gleaves offered an amendment changing the county line of Davidson and Wilson counties.

Mr. Cox moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Brien offered an amendment changing the county lines of DeKalb, Warren and Cannon.

The amendment was rejected.

The bill, as amended, passed third reading.

On motion of Mr. White,

Senate Bill, No. 106, to amend the charter of the Knoxville and Kentucky Railroad Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Cowden offered an amendment authorizing the Central Southern Railroad Company to connect their road with the Nashville and Chattanooga Railroad at Shelbyville, if they desire so to do.

Mr. Burch offered an amendment amendatory of the charter of the Tennessee and Charleston Railroad Company,

And also an amendment reviving the charter of the Lookout Railroad Company.

The amendments were all adopted.

Mr. Armstrong moved

To reconsider the vote adopting the amendment of Mr. Cowden.

The House reconsidered.

Mr. Cowden's amendment was then so amended as to provide that said railroad should not be entitled to additional State aid.

The amendment, as amended, was adopted, and the bill passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Fort, Galbreath, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Tompkins, Wallace, Welcker, White, Whiteside, and Wilson of Marshall—38.

Noes—Messrs. Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Cavitt, Colquett, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Gleaves, Hatton, Looney, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Smith, Stovall, Ward, Watkins, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman and Mr. Speaker Brown—22.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	38
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22

A Message was received from His Excellency Andrew Johnson, Governor of the State, in relation to railroad intercourse between the States of Tennessee and Georgia.

On motion of Mr. Burch,

Five hundred copies were ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Harris,

It was ordered to be spread upon the Journal. (Vide Appendix.)

On motion of Mr. Burch, -

The message and accompanying documents were ordered to be transmitted to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Kinney,

Senate Bill, No. 194, for the benefit of James Mitchell,

Was taken up.

On motion of Mr. Newman,

The bill was recommitted to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Brien obtained leave to withdraw Senate Bill, No. 197, defining the duties of the Commissioner of Roads, for amendment.

On motion of Mr. Looney,

Senate Bill, No. 174, to change the time of holding the Circuit Court at Manchester,

Was taken up.

Mr. Looney offered an amendment, transferring the Circuit Court of the county of Sumner to the Judge of the Criminal Circuit, composed of the counties of Rutherford, Davidson, and Montgomery.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, offered an amendment, changing the time of holding the Chancery Courts of the Western Chancery Division, and also the time holding the Circuit Courts of the counties of Haywood and Madison.

Mr. Nixon offered an amendment, attaching the county of Decatur to the Tenth Judicial Circuit, and prescribing the time of holding the Circuit Court for said county.

The amendments were all adopted, and the bill passed third reading.

On motion of Mr. Wallace,

Bill, No. 415, to change the name of Ross Preswell to that of Ross Hurst,

Was taken up.

A bill in lieu, offered by Mr. Cloud, was adopted.

Mr. Wallace offered an amendment, changing the name of John Henry Turner to that of John Henry Wright.

Mr. Fielder offered an amendment, changing the name Damaris Sweet to that of Mary Sweet.

Mr. Ward offered an amendment, changing the name of Martha Cleopatra North to that of Martha Cleopatra Rowles.

The various amendments were adopted, and the bill passed third reading, as amended.

On motion of Mr. Galbreath,

Senate Bill, No. 158, for the benefit of slaves who acquired the right to freedom before the 24th February, 1854,

Was taken up.

The bill in lieu, offered by the Select Committee, was considered.

Mr. Massengill moved

To lay the whole subject on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Shemwell moved

To take up Bill, No. 407, for the benefit of Lizzie, Bob, Violet, Susan, Reynolds, Jacob and Elic, free persons of color.

The motion failed.

On motion of Mr. Wilson, of Marshall,

Senate bills on third reading were taken up.

Senate Bill, No. 211, supplemental to an act passed February 27, 1852, entitled An act to prescribe the mode of choosing electors to vote for President and Vice President of the United States,

Passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen. Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek. Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Smith. Snodgrass, Stovall, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White,

Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—55.

Noes—Mr. Gallaway—1.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	55
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1

Senate Bill, No. 4, to repeal the second section of the act of 1853, chapter 72,

Passed third reading by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Galbreath, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—38.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bri-en, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Gallaway, Harris, Looney, Mathis, Snodgrass, Stovall, White, and Wood of Hardeman—18.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	38
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	18

Senate Bill, No. 21, to amend an act passed February 25, 1854, entitled An act to incorporate the Murfreesboro and Liberty Turnpike Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Watkins offered an amendment, amendatory of the charter of the town of Pulaski.

Mr. Mathis withdrew, finally, Bill, No. 341, authorizing the election of a Magistrate in the town of Camden.

Mr. Bartlett, by leave of the House, withdrew Bill, No. 338, to charter the Memphis and Germantown Turnpike Company,

And offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

Mr. Kinney obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 366, to amend an act passed March 1, 1854, to incorporate the Tazewell Female Academy, &c.,

And offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

Mr. Davie offered as an amendment, House Bill, No. 454, to amend the charter of the Clarksville and Russellville Turnpike Company.

Mr. Brien offered an amendment, releasing the State tax of the county of DeKalb to said county, for the period of ten years, to aid in building the Smithville and McMinnville Turnpike Road.

Mr. Newman moved

To lay Mr. Brien's amendment on the table.

All the amendments, except that of Mr. Brien, were adopted.

Mr. Donelson then called the previous question on the passage of the bill.

The House sustained the call.

The bill then passed third reading.

A message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : —

The Senate has receded from its non-concurrence in House amendment to Senate amendment, to House Bill, No. 146, entitled

A bill to be entitled An act to amend the act of 1825, chapter 56.

And has concurred in House amendment to House Bill, No. 167, entitled

A bill to authorize the establishment of the Memphis Water Works Company, and to incorporate the Chattanooga Water Works Company, and to incorporate the Sumner Manufacturing Company, and to incorporate a Law School in the City of Memphis.

And has concurred in House amendments to Senate amendments to House Bill, No. 212, entitled

A bill to authorize the election of an additional Justice of the Peace for the ninth civil district of Blount county, and for other purposes.

And has passed, without amendment, House Bill, No. 234, entitled,

A bill to incorporate the Building Company of the City of Memphis, and for other purposes.

And the same are returned for enrollment.

I herewith transmit communications from the Presidents and Cashiers of the Planters' Bank and the Union Bank, in reply to a resolution of this General Assembly.

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts, as follows, and the same have been deposited with the Secretary of State :

To incorporate the Hibernia Mining Company, the Citico Mining Company, the Caledonia, Iron Company, the Dickeson Zinc and Marble Mining Company, &c.

To create and regulate the office of County Judge.

To allow railroad companies to increase their capital stock, to repeal the clause in the charter of the Memphis, Clarksville and Louisville Railroad Company, requiring any stockholder to have taken or to own twenty shares of stock in order to be eligible as a Director in said road, and to amend an act to authorize Sumner county to issue bonds, in payment of her subscription to the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company, passed December 20, 1853.

To incorporate the East Tennessee Farming, Grape-growing, Stock-raising and Manufacturing Company, and the Nashville and Rowena Coal Company.

To amend the charter of the Tennessee and Alabama Railroad Company, and for the benefit of the Mississippi Central and Tennessee Railroad Company, to authorize C. D. Venable and Com-

pany to establish a ferry across the Tennessee River, and for other purposes.

To authorize the County Court of Decatur county to lay off an additional civil District, in said county, and for other purposes.

An act to amend an act passed 10th December 1839, entitled An act to provide for the probate and registration of deeds and other instruments executed beyond the limits of the United States, and for other purposes.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Mathis,

Senate Bill, No. 202, to establish the town of Centreville as a common school district, &c.,

Was taken up, and passed second reading.

Mr. Nixon introduced Resolution, No. 170, in relation to the printing of the Revised Statutes.

On motion,

The rule was suspended and the resolution adopted.

Mr. Nixon, from the Committee on Claims, reported on Senate Bill, No. 194, for the benefit of James Mitchell,

And recommended that the words "and forty-three," and the words "and sixty-two cents," and the words "with the interest thereon," be stricken out, and that the bill pass.

On motion of Mr. Kinney,

The bill was taken up.

Mr. Rudd obtained leave to withdraw

Bill, No. 520, for the relief of Larkin Cardin,

And offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

Mr. Bullen obtained leave to withdraw

Bill, No. 515, for the benefit of David R. Johnson,

And offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

Mr. Burch offered an amendment, for the benefit of James A. Whiteside.

Mr. Ball offered an amendment, for the benefit of certain com-

missioners appointed to locate and survey the road over Clinch Mountain.

All the amendments were adopted, except that of Mr. Ball, which, on motion of Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, was laid on the table.

The report of the Committee on Claims was concurred in, and the bill, as amended, passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—42.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brien, Brown of Madison, Colquet, DeWitt, Donelson, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Mathis, Smith, and Stovall—13

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	42
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13

Senate Bill, No. 24, to prevent circuitry of action, to enable courts of law to do justice, and to save costs to parties litigant,

Was taken up.

Mr. Burch offered an amendment, authorizing the Clerks of the Circuit, County and Chancery Courts of Hamilton county to appoint deputies resident at Chattanooga.

Mr. Brien moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

The motion failed.

Mr. Parks called the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Cox, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—44.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Cowden, Hatton, Mathis, Newman, Pope, and Stovall—11.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	44
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11

Senate Bill, No. 36, to establish a Criminal Court at the City of Knoxville,

Was withdrawn by Mr. Bobo for amendment.

Senate Bill, No. 34, to amend the general incorporation laws of this State, and to retrench the expenses of legislation,

Was taken up.

The bill in lieu, recommended by the Select Committee, to whom the bill had been referred, was adopted.

Mr. Mathis offered an amendment, including all persons who desire to build any turnpike road.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Bobo returned the bill just withdrawn by him.

Mr. Speaker Brown (Mr. Dunnington in the chair,) obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 450, to promote common schools,

And offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

Upon the adoption of which, Mr. Cavitt demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown, Madison, Carlock, Carmichael, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Parks, Rudd, Taylor, Tompkins, Wallace Ward, Welcker, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—32.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Cavitt, Colquet, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Kinney, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Smith, Stovall, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—25.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25

The amendment was adopted.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown, Madison, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Nixon, Parks, Rudd, Taylor, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—35.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Colquet, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Kinney, Mathis, Newman, Northcutt, Pogue, Richey, Smith, Stovall, Watkins, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—22.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their clerk, as follows :

SPEAKER :—

The Senate has non-concurred in House amendment No. 6, to Senate Bill, No. 190, to change the line between the counties of White and Putman.

After concurring in five House amendments to said bill.

And the said amendment, No. 6, is herewith returned for further consideration.

The Senate insists upon its non-concurrence in House amendment in relation to the Rutledge Railroad, to Senate Bill, No. 160, entitled

A bill to authorize the construction of a railroad from the town of Shelbyville to the line of the State of Alabama, via of Lewisburg, in Marshall, and Pulaski, in the county of Giles.

And have appointed Messrs. Carter and Turney, as a Committee of Conference on the part of the Senate, on said amendment.

I herewith transmit a Communication from the President and Cashier of the Bank of Tennessee, in reply to a resolution of this General Assembly.

The Senate has adopted House Resolution, No. 166, in relation to voluntary inspection in Louisiana.

And the same is returned for enrollment.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Donelson, Hatton and Wood, of Hardeman, as a Committee of Conference on the part of the House, touching the matter contained in the message.

Senate Bill, No. 36, to establish a Criminal Court at the city of Knoxville,

Was taken up.

Mr. Newman moved

To strike out so much of the bill as refers to the county of Franklin.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Bobo moved

To strike out so much of the bill as refers to the county of Lincoln.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Cowden offered an amendment, establishing a Criminal Court for the counties of Giles, Lawrence and Maury.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Mabry moved

To strike out fifteen hundred dollars and insert five hundred dollars as the salary of the Judge,

Which he subsequently withdrew.

On motion,

The counties of Lincoln and Marshall were added to the amendment of Mr. Cowden.

Upon the passage of the bill, Mr. Stovall called for a division of the question.

Upon the proposition to establish a Criminal Court at Knoxville the vote was as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carmichael, Colburn, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Massengill, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Rudd, Stovall, Taylor, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—31.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Kimble Mabry, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Smith, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon and Wood of Hardeman—25.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25

The first portion of the bill passed its third reading.

Upon the proposition to establish a Criminal Court for the counties of Maury, Marshall, Lincoln, Lawrence and Giles, the vote was as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Brown of Madison, Cavitt, Cowden, Cox, Taylor, Watkins, White, and Wilson of Marshall—11.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Brazelton, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Campbell, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Stovall, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—46.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	46

The proposition was rejected.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate have concurred in House amendments to Senate Bill, No. 106, entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the Knoxville and Kentucky Railroad.

After amending amendment, No. 1, by inserting the words with the consent of the stockholders."

And the said amendment is herewith returned for concurrence in said Senate amendment.

Mr. Hatton entered a motion to reconsider the vote passing the first portion of Senate Bill, No. 36, to establish a Criminal Court at the city of Knoxville.

Mr. Armstrong moved

To take up the motion at once.

The motion prevailed.

The House then reconsidered the vote.

Mr. Hatton offered an amendment conferring the Criminal Court at Chattanooga, (when one is established there,) upon the Judge of the Criminal Court at Knoxville.

Upon the adoption of the amendment, Mr. Burch demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Cowden, Gleaves, Hatton, Kimble, Looney, Massengill, Meek, Parks, Stovall, Tompkins, Ward, and Wood of Hardeman—18.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Harris, Holmes, Kinney, Mabry, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Wallace, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—37.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	37

The amendment was rejected.

Mr. Meek offered an amendment providing that the Judge of said Criminal Court should hold the Circuit Court of the county of Campbell.

Mr. Wallace moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

The motion prevailed.

The bill was then rejected by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carmichael, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Massengill, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Rudd, Stovall, Taylor, Tompkins, Wallace, Welcker, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—28.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Galloway, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Kimble, Mabry, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—30.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	28
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	30

On motion of Mr. Nixon,

Senate Bill, No. 181, to amend the charter of the Central Southern Railroad Company,

Was taken up, and passed third reading.

Senate Bill, No. 35, to authorize the several courts of this State to adjudge costs which have been omitted in taxing the costs,

Was taken up.

Mr. Parks offered an amendment in relation to the law in regard to the administration of estates.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Mathis moved

To strike out of the amendment heretofore offered by Mr. Nixon, the word "four" and insert "one."

The motion prevailed.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Carlock, Colquet, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Gleaves, Kinney, Mabry, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Richey, Smith, Taylor, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—33.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Cavitt, Carmichael, Gallaway, Harris, Kimble, Looney, Massengill, Meek, Pogue, Stovall, Ward, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—19.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19

On motion of Mr. Cowden,
Senate Bill, No. 106, to amend the charter of the Knoxville and Kentucky Railroad Company,

Was taken up, and Senate's amendment to House amendment to the same concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Ward,
Senate Bill, No. 104, to charter the Tennessee Marble, Mining and Manufacturing Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. DeWitt moved

To amend by striking out so much as refers to a railroad.

The motion prevailed, and the bill, as amended, passed third reading.

On motion of Mr. Pope,
Senate Bill, No. 124, to change the county line between the counties of Maury and Lewis,

Was taken up, and passed third reading.

Senate Bill, No. 38, to amend an act entitled

An act to declare the powers of County Courts in the administration of estates in certain particulars, passed 26th February, 1852,

Was rejected by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Colburn, Cox, Dunnington, Fort, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Little, Mabry, Parks, Rudd, Taylor, Tompkins, Whiteside, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—21.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Bullen, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Cowden, DeWitt, Donelson, Fielder, Gallaway, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Wallace, Ward, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—30.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30

Senate Bill, No. 42, to amend an act entitled
An act to amend the criminal laws of this State, passed 28th
February, 1852,

Was taken up.

Mr. Bullen moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

The motion failed.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Fielder, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Parks, Pogue, Taylor, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—30.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Carmichael, Colquet, Donelson, Dunnington, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Norheutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, and Wood of Cannon—26.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26

On motion,

The House adjourned till 7 o'clock, to-night.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Tipton asked and obtained leave to enter his vote on the passage of Senate Bill, No. 42, to amend an act entitled

An act to amend the criminal laws of the State, passed 26th February, 1852, and voted in opposition to said bill.

Mr. Cavitt entered a motion to reconsider the vote passing on third and last reading the bill last mentioned.

Mr. Hatton entered a motion to reconsider the vote rejecting Senate Bill, No. 36, to establish a Criminal Court at the city of Knoxville.

Mr. Hatton, from the Committee to whom was referred Senate Bill, No. 57, to establish the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit, reported on said bill, and recommended that "Haywood" be stricken out; and also recommended the adoption of an additional section, transferring the counties of Decatur and McNairy to the Tenth Judicial Circuit, and asked to be discharged from the further consideration of the bill.

The special order was then taken up, being

Senate Bill, No. 214, to provide for the completion of the Capitol, and for other purposes.

Mr. Looney was called to the Chair.

Mr. Newman moved

To strike out so much of the bill as relates to the investigation of the conduct of the Commissioners of the State Capitol.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Kinney moved

To strike out so much of the bill as leaves it at the discretion of the Commissioners to purchase ground for the enlargement of the Capitol grounds.

Mr. Stovall moved

To lay the motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table prevailed.

Mr. Burch moved

So to amend as to make the bonds to be issued payable in New York city, by the endorsement of the Bank of Tennessee, or elsewhere at the discretion of President and Directors of said Bank.

Mr. Davie moved

To amend the motion of Mr. Burch, by substituting the Governor, Comptroller, and Secretary of State, in lieu of the President, &c., of the Bank of Tennessee.

The motion failed.

The amendment of Mr. Burch was then adopted.

Mr. Holmes offered an amendment, striking out so much of the bill as authorizes the Commissioners to let out the work to be done in, upon, and about the Capitol and Capitol grounds, to the lowest bidder, and demanded the ayes and noes on the motion :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dorn, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Little, Looney, Mabry, Newman, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Rudd, Taylor, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, White-side, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—40.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Brazelton, Bullen, Carmichael, Colquet, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Nixon, Northcutt, Stovall, Tipton, and Wilson or Marshall—14.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	40
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	14

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Speaker Brown offered an amendment, authorizing the Commissioners to have the Capitol properly ventilated.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Davie offered an amendment, declaring the bonds issued for payment of work on State Capitol, and the annual interest thereon, payable at Nashville.

Mr. Tipton moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

Upon which motion, Mr. Davie demanded the ayes and noes:

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—39.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brien, Cavitt, Cox, Davie, Harris, Kimble, Little, Runnels, Stovall, Taylor, Wallace, and White—14.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	39
Noes,	.	-	-	-	-	14

The motion prevailed, and the amendment was laid on the table.

The bill, as amended, then passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 60, to increase the salary of the Attorney General and Reporter for the State,

Was taken up.

Mr. Hatton offered an amendment, appropriating five hundred dollars to the State Geologist.

Mr. Harris moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

Mr. Brien called for the previous question.

The call was sustained.

Upon the passage of the bill, the vote was as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Carmichael, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Little, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Newman, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Welcker, White, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—37.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Cavitt, Colquet, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Nixon, Pope, Stovall, Whiteside, and Wood of Cannon—16.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	37
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	16

Senate Bill, No. 65, to amend an act passed March 2, 1852, chapter 262, entitled An act to amend the charter of the Stone's River and Statesville Turnpike Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Brien offered an amendment, incorporating the Doe Creek and ——— Railroad Company.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Holmes offered an amendment, incorporating the Memphis Hook and Ladder Company.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill, as amended, passed its third reading.

Senate Bill, No. 67, to amend the Criminal Laws of this State, Was taken up.

Mr. Carlock asked and obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 524, to prevent the selling, loaning, or giving, deadly weapons to minors,

And offered it as an amendment to the bill.

Mr. Bullen moved—

To amend the amendment of Mr. Carlock, by providing that its provisions should not apply to persons travelling on a journey.

The motion prevailed.

The amendment, as amended, was adopted.

Mr. Meek obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 522, to punish the fraudulent issue and transfer of certificates of stock in corporations,

And offered it as an amendment to the bill.

The House refused to adopt the amendment.

Mr. Welcker called for a division of the question.

Upon the passage of the original bill, the following vote was had :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, Mr. Speaker Brown—45.

Noes—Messrs. Colquet, Mabry, Newman, Northcutt, Pope, and Stovall—6.

Ayes, - - - - - 45

Noes, - - - - - 6

On the passage of the amendment offered by Mr. Carlock, the vote was as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Little, Looney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace,

Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—40.

Noes—Messrs. Bullen, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Northcutt, Pope, Stovall, and Welcker—11.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11

Senate Bill, No. 68, to amend the criminal laws of this State, and for other purposes,

Was taken up.

Mr. Dortch offered an amendment, providing when the Statutes shall take effect, having withdrawn Bill, No. 421, for that purpose.

Mr. Gleaves obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 349½, to prevent free persons of color from peddling and bartering, and offered it as an amendment to the bill.

Both amendments were adopted.

The bill, as amended, passed third reading by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Little, Looney, Mathis, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Stovall, Taylor, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, Welcker, Whiteside, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—31.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Brazelton, Brien, Bullen, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Fielder, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Newman, Northcutt, Tipton, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—20.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20

Senate Bill, No. 69, to charter the Alexandria and Roane Turnpike Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Bartlett obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 336, to amend the charter of the Memphis and Somerville Turnpike Company, and offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

Mr. Holmes offered an amendment, incorporating the Memphis Cotton Works Company.

The various amendments were adopted, and the bill passed third reading.

Senate Bill, No. 70, to incorporate the Murfreesboro Building and Loan Association,

Was taken up.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 472, to incorporate the Trustees of the Elk Presbytery of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, and offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Gleaves offered an amendment, incorporating the Jackson Medical College of the city of Nashville.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, moved

To lay the amendment of Mr. Gleaves on the table.

The motion prevailed.

The bill then passed third reading.

Senate Bill, No. 73, to incorporate the Holston Conference Preachers' Aid Society,

Passed third reading.

Senate Bill, No. 77, to amend the charter of the United Fire men's Insurance Company of Nashville, passed 25th February, 1852,

Was taken up.

Mr. Cox offered an amendment incorporating the Safety Insurance Company of Nashville.

Mr. Holmes obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 382, to amend the charter of the city of Memphis, and offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

Also, an amendment providing for the creation of the Memphis Sinking Fund.

Also, an amendment in relation to the improvement of streets, alleys, &c., of said city of Memphis.

Also, an amendment for the establishment of the Memphis City Schools.

The various amendments were adopted, and the bill passed third reading.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 26, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported on Bills, Nos. 415, 433, and 464, as correctly engrossed, and on Bills, Nos. 258 and 288½, as correctly enrolled, and on Resolutions, Nos. 122½, 161, 168, and 170, as correctly engrossed.

Mr. Ball called up the motion heretofore entered to reconsider the vote rejecting Senate Bill, No. 144, for the benefit of Huntsville Academy in Scott county.

The House reconsidered the vote of rejection,
And the bill passed second reading.

Mr. Holmes obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 365, for the better and more permanent establishment of the Memphis City Schools.

On motion of Mr. Parks,
Senate Bill, No. 57, to establish the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit,
Was taken up.

Mr. Mathis moved

To strike out the county of Humphreys.

Mr. Armstrong offered an amendment establishing a Criminal Court at Knoxville.

Mr. Parks moved

A concurrence in the report of the Committee.

On the motion to concur in the report of the Committee, Mr. Smith demanded the ayes and noes:

Ayes—Messrs. Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Burch, Cavitt, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—36.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Brien, Bullen, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Kinney, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Thomas, Tipton, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—30.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	36
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	30

The report was concurred in.

Mr. Galbreath moved

To lay the amendment of Mr. Armstrong on the table.

Mr. Armstrong demanded the ayes and noes:

Ayes—Messrs. Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Kimble, Mabry, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Richey, Smith, Thomas, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—25.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Carmichael, Colburn, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Rudd, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—40.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	25
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	40

The motion failed.

Mr. Brazelton offered an amendment proposing to strike out the counties of Gibson, Obion, Dyer, Lauderdale, and Haywood, and to insert the counties of Carroll, Benton, Henderson, Decatur, and McNairy, and prescribing the time of holding the courts in said counties.

Mr. Brien moved

To lay the whole subject on the table.

Mr. Armstrong demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazelton, Ball, Brien, Bullen, Carlock, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Shemwell, Smith, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—32.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Burch, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colburn, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Mr. Speaker Brown—34.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	32
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	34

The motion failed.

Mr. Cowden called for the previous question on the passage of the bill.

Mr. Armstrong demanded the ayes and noes on the call :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Burch, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Kimble, Little, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman—30.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colburn, Cox, Davie DeWitt, Dortch, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Stovall, Taylor, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—35.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	30
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	35

The House refused to sustain the call.

Mr. White called for the previous question, on the adoption of the amendment of Mr. Armstrong.

The House sustained the call.

On the adoption of the amendment, Mr. Donelson demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carmichael, Colburn, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Stovall, Taylor, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—32.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Kimble, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman—32.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32

The amendment was rejected.

Mr. Dunnington called for the previous question, on the passage of the Bill.

The House sustained the call.

Mr. White moved

A reconsideration of the vote sustaining the call.

The House reconsidered.

The call for the previous question was withdrawn.

Mr. Harris offered an amendment reducing the salaries of the Judges, who are relieved by the formation of the circuits, as contemplated in the bill, and also the salaries of the Judges of the new circuits to fifteen hundred, instead of eighteen hundred dollars.

Mr. Looney moved

To lay the amendments on the table.

Mr. Harris demanded the ayes and noes, on the motion :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Thomas, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, and Mr. Speaker Brown—32.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brien, Bullen, Colquet, Colburn, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Tipton, Watkins, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon and Wood of Hardeman—32.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32

The motion to lay on the table failed.

The question then recurring on the adoption of the amendment of Mr. Harris,

Mr. Stovall demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brien, Bullen, Colquet, Cowden, Fiel-

der, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Northcutt, Richey, Rudd, Tompkins, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon—20.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colburn, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Little, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—46.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	46

The amendment was rejected.

Mr. Little moved

To amend by striking out the four first lines of the 3d section of the bill.

Mr. Pope moved

To amend by striking out Scott county, inserting Marion county, in lieu.

Mr. Mabry moved

To amend by striking out Coffee county, and inserting Lincoln county, in lieu.

Mr. Ward moved

To strike out all that relates to Sumner county.

Mr. Smith moved

To amend by striking out all that relates to McNairy county.

Mr. Armstrong moved

To amend by striking out Morgan, Scott and Campbell counties, where they occur in the bill.

Mr. Dortch called for the previous question, and asked a division of the question.

The House sustained the call for the previous question.

Upon the proposition to establish the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit, the vote was as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Burch, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Hatton, Holmes, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Tipton, Wallace, Ward, White, Mr. Speaker Brown—28.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Bullen, Carlock, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Kinney, Little, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Thomas, Tompkins, Watkins, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon and Wood of Hardeman—37.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	37

That portion of the bill was rejected.

Upon the proposition to establish the Sixteenth Judicial Circuit, Mr. Harris demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Burch, Cavitt, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Holmes, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Wallace, Welcker, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—23.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Bullen, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman—41.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	41

That portion of the bill was rejected.

The Speaker presented the following communication, which was ordered to be spread upon the Journal :

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONERS
FOR THE STATE CAPITOL,
February 25, 1856.

To the Honorable Niell S. Brown,

Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR:—I have this moment received, at the hands of the Clerk of the body over which you preside, a copy of the following Resolution :

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Capitol be requested to report to this General Assembly, whether the services of the architect are indispensable to the completion of the Capitol, and if so, to report the probable time such services will be required.

To which I have the honor to reply, that all parts of the building, requiring the supervision of an architect, being near their completion, the necessity for such an officer will soon cease, when, I have no doubt, the Board of Commissioners will abolish the office of architect as being no longer useful.

Very respectfully,
S. D. MORGAN,

President of the Board of Commissioners.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Senate has amended and passed, on third and last reading, House Bills as follows :

No. 202, to establish the county of Cheatham.

No. 249 $\frac{1}{2}$, to amend the charter of the Columbia and Hampshire Turnpike Company.

No. 266, for the relief of the heirs and devisees of M. Jules Godeau d'Eutrigues and Madame Agathe Garand d'Eutrigues.

No. 406, to amend an act passed 19th January, 1848, entitled

An act to amend an act, passed 16th December, 1837, entitled An act to incorporate the Oak Grove Academy, in the town of Cleveland, in the county of Bradley, and also, for the benefit of the Somerville Model School, in Fayette county.

No. 226, a bill to amend an act passed January 31, 1854, entitled

An act to charter the Carthage, Alexandria and Red Sulphur Springs Turnpike Company, and for other purposes.

No. 291, to authorize James Parks and Company to build a bridge across Ocoee River, at, or near Parksville, in Polk county.

No. 194, to amend the 22d section of an act to incorporate the Merchants' Library Association, of Fayetteville, and to reduce the several acts incorporating the town of Jackson into one, and amend the same.

The Senate has passed, without amendment, House bills as follows :

No. 318, for the benefit of sureties and endorsers.

No. 280, to protect the lay members of all ecclesiastical denominations against the domination of the clergy.

- No. 313, to amend an act, entitled

An act for the benefit of the wives and widows of the soldiers of the Mexican War.

No. 328, for the benefit of turnpike roads.

No. 306, to provide for the election of a Justice of the Peace in the town of Rome, and for other purposes.

And the said bills are herewith returned for concurrence and enrollment.

The Senate has rejected House Bill, No. 328, to amend the laws in reference to the liability of Sheriffs and Coroners.

The Senate has also amended and passed on third reading, House Bill, No. 377, entitled

A bill for the relief of Sneed Harris, of the county of Shelby, and for other purposes.

And the same is returned for concurrence.

The Senate has passed, on third and last reading, Senate Bill, No. 222, entitled

A bill to defray the expenses of this General Assembly.

And the same is herewith transmitted for the consideration of the House of Representatives.

• The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts as follows, and the same are herewith transmitted for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

To divide and equally apportion the Academy fund of Jefferson

county, between Maury Academy and Dandridge Female Academy.

To incorporate the Jackson Building and Loan Association.

To amend an act to authorize the extension of the Memphis and Charleston Railroad, and for other purposes, passed February 23, 1854, chap. 311.

To establish a Chancery Court at Taylorsville, in the county of Johnson.

An act to amend the charter of the Shelbyville, Flat Creek, Mulberry, and Fayetteville Turnpike Company.

Also, enrolled resolution directory to the Cashiers of the Union and Planters' Banks, and the Bank of Tennessee.

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts as follows, and the same have been deposited with the Secretary of State:

To charter the Strawberry Plains and Sevierville Turnpike Company; to incorporate the Watauga Bridge Company; to incorporate the Watauga and Doe River Bridge Company; and to repeal so much of an act passed February 7, 1850, entitled An act to authorize the formation of turnpike companies, as provides that no petition, suit, or action, shall be brought for damages after twelve months, &c.

An act to extend the corporate limits of the town of Unionville, in Bedford county, to incorporate the Mayor and Aldermen of East Knoxville, and for other purposes.

The Senate has concurred in House Bill, in lieu of Senate Bill, No. 98, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of certain State bonds, after amending the same by adopting a section in lieu of the first section.

And has passed on third reading, House Bill, No. 324, entitled

A bill to establish a system of patrols,

After amending the same.

And they are hereby returned for the further consideration of the House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. Wallace,

Senate Bill, No. 222, to defray the expenses of the General Assembly,

Was taken up.

Mr. Dortch moved

To amend in accordance with the Finance Report of the House.

Mr. Burch moved

To amend the amendment of Mr. Dortch, by allowing Mr. Wood of Hardeman, the per diem of the Speaker for the four first days of the present session, during which time he presided over the deliberations of this body, Mr. Speaker Brown having declined to accept pay for time during which he rendered no services.

The motion prevailed unanimously.

Mr. Taylor moved

So to amend as to reduce his own per diem allowance to the

amount of sixty dollars, as he did not take his seat in the present General Assembly until fifteen days after it had organized.

The motion was rejected unanimously.

Mr. Snodgrass moved

To amend by allowing the widow of the late Felix J. Pavatt his per diem pay until his successor took his oath of office as a member of the present General Assembly.

Mr. Bobo moved

To amend by allowing "George" three dollars per day for his services.

Mr. Brien moved

To amend by allowing him four dollars per day.

Mr. Stovall moved

To lay Mr. Brien's motion on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Bobo's amendment was then adopted.

Mr. Algee offered an amendment, allowing the Secretary of State one hundred and seventy dollars for preparing an index and marginal notes, and captions of the acts of the present General Assembly, and that the Comptroller issue his warrant for the same.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Bullen offered an amendment, providing that in future Clerks of the Senate and House shall be entitled to only five dollars per day, and providing that the Senate should employ one doorkeeper, and the House two.

The amendment was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The bill then passed first reading, and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Galbreath moved a call of the House.

Present—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Lit-

tle, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Wallace, Welcker, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—48.

On motion of Mr. Harris, the call was suspended.

After the lapse of a few minutes, a quorum was present.

On motion of Mr. Cavitt,

Bill, No. 324, to establish a system of patrols,

Was taken up, and Senate amendments thereto concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Gleaves,

Bill, No. 356, to create Boards of Medical Examiners for the State of Tennessee, to promote medical science, and for other purposes,

Was taken up.

Mr. Gleaves moved

To amend by striking out all in the fourth section after the word "State," and adding to the seventh section the following: "Provided, the sum raised under the following section of this bill shall prove insufficient to compensate the said Boards;" and also adding an additional section, providing that nothing in this act shall be so construed as to prevent heads of families from administering medicine to their own families, overseers to negroes under their charge, or any individual from practicing, free of charge, among his neighbors, or to interfere with the practice of female obstetricians.

The amendments were adopted.

Mr. Cavitt called the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill was then rejected by the following vote:

Ayes.—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Brien, Burch, Cavitt, Coquet, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Meek, Pogue, Shemwell, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Tompkins, Welcker, and Mr. Speaker Brown—26.

Noes.—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Carmichael, Colburn, Cowden, Dunnington, Fielder, Gallaway, Harris, Kinney, Little, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Runnels, Richey, Smith, Thomas, Wallace, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—32.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32

On motion of Mr. Shemwell,

Bill, No. 407, for the benefit of Lizzie, Bob, Susan, Violet, Reynolds, Jacob, and Elic, free persons of color,

Was taken up.

Mr. Mathis called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Cox, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Watkins, Whiteside, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—35.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Brown of Madison, Carmichael, Cowden, DeWitt, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Little, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Newman, Pogue, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tipton, Wallace, Welcker, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—21.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21

On motion of Mr. Looney,

Bill, No. 480, to provide for the future management of the State Hospital, and for other purposes,

Was taken up.

Mr. Looney called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Cavitt, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, Mr. Speaker Brown—39.

Noes—Messrs. Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Gallaway, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mathis, Meek, Northcutt, Runnels, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Tipton, Wallace, and Wood of Cannon—21.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	39
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21

On motion of Mr. Mabry,

Bill, No. 233, prescribing certain duties to be performed by the Register of the Land Office, &c.,

Was taken up.

Mr. Brien moved

To lay the bill on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, moved

To take up House bills on second reading.

The motion failed.

Mr. Holmes moved

To take up Senate bills on third reading.

The motion prevailed.

Senate Bill, No. 72, to provide an annual sum for the support and maintenance of the Deaf and Dumb Asylum at Knoxville, Was taken up.

Mr. Tipton obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 381, to enable the citizens of Johnson county to construct a road across the Doe and Holston Mountains,

And offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

Mr. Armstrong called for the previous question.

The House refused to sustain the call.

Mr. Fielder moved

To lay Mr. Tipton's amendment on the table.

Mr. Tipton demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Gallaway, Holmes, Little, Looney, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—41.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Burch, Colburn, Cox, DeWitt, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Myatt, Northcutt, Snodgrass, Tipton, Mr. Speaker Brown—19.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	41
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Galbreath offered an amendment, appropriating ten thousand dollars to aid in building bridges over all the creeks crossed by the mail route from Carthage to Gainsboro.

Mr. Cox offered an amendment, appropriating three thousand five hundred dollars to the support of the State Hospital at Nashville.

Mr. Harris offered an amendment, providing that the funds appropriated to the Deaf and Dumb Asylum shall not be expended in erecting workshops, but shall be appropriated to the support of the institution.

Mr. Harris's amendment was adopted.

Mr. Nixon called the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Carlock, Carmichael, Colburn, Davie, Donelson, Fielder, Fort, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Stovall, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—41,

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brien, Bullen, Colquet, Cowden, Cox, DeWitt, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gallaway, Kimble, Mabry, Mathis, Newman, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tipton, and Watkins—20.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	41
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	20

Mr. Armstrong entered a motion to reconsider the vote passing on 3d reading,

Bill, No. 480, to provide for the future management of the State Hospital, and for other purposes.

Senate Bill, No. 204, to amend the charter of the Atlantic, Tennessee and Ohio Railroad Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Hatton offered an amendment for the benefit of the Nashville and Cincinnati Railroad Company.

Mr. Meek offered an amendment for the benefit of the Cincinnati, Cumberland Gap and Charleston Railroad Company.

Mr. Stovall moved

To lay Mr. Meek's amendment on the table.

Mr. Galbreath moved

To lay both amendments on the table.

Mr. Meek moved

To lay the bill and amendment on the table.

Mr. Harris called for a division of the question.

The question being submitted *seriatim*, the amendments of Mr. Meek was laid on the table.

Upon the motion to lay Mr. Hatton's amendment on the table,

Mr. Hatton demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Kimble, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Tipton, Wallace, Watkins, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—31.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dunnington, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Snodgrass, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—28.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	31
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	28

The amendment was laid on the table.

On motion to lay the bill on the table,

Mr. Tipton demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Bobo, Brien, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Cowden, DeWitt, Donelson, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Little, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Smith, Stovall, Wallace, Watkins, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon and Wood of Hardeman—25.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Bullen, Colburn, Cox, Dunnington, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Tipton, Ward, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—29.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	25
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	29

The motion failed.

Mr. Dunnington offered an amendment for the benefit of the Central Southern Railroad Company, to enable them to bridge Richland Creek.

Mr. Tipton called the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The Bill passed 3d reading by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Tipton, Wallace Ward, Welcker, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—33.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Cavitt, Colquet, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Galloway, Gleaves, Little, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Tompkins, Watkins, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman—25.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25

- Senate Bill, No. 79, to amend an act entitled
An act to incorporate the Nashville, Franklin and Columbia,
Turnpike Company,
Was taken up.

Mr. Hatton offered an amendment for the benefit of the Nashville and Cincinnati Railroad Company.

Mr. Meek moved

To lay the amendment on the table:

Mr. Hatton demanded the ayes and noes:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Kimble, Kinney, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newmap, Nixon, Parks, Pope, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Wallace, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—31.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Burch, Carlock, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Northcutt, Pogue, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, Watkins, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—27.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27

The motion prevailed, and the amendment was laid on the table.

The bill then passed 3d reading.

On motion of Mr. Bullen,

Bill No. 361, to amend the act of 1811, chapter 76,

Was taken up, and passed 3d reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Fort, Gallaway, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Linney, Little, Looney, Messengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—49.

Noes—Messrs. Cavitt and Galbreath—2.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	49
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2

Mr. Armstrong obtained leave to withdraw the motion entered by him to reconsider the vote passing, on third reading, Bill, No. 408, to provide for the future management of the State Hospital, &c.

Mr. Smith moved

To adjourn till 7 o'clock, to-night.

The motion failed.

On motion of Mr. Holmes,

Bill, No. 494, for the sale of the Memphis Hospital grounds, and for other purposes,

Was taken up, and passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Rudd, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—39.

Noes—Messrs. Brien, Colquet, Donelson, Harris, Mabry, Mathis, Newman, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, and Wallace—11.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	39
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11

On motion of Mr. Mabry,

Senate Bill, No. 215, for the benefit of the Penitentiary of the State,

Was taken up.

Pending discussion on which,

On motion,

The House adjourned till 7 o'clock, to-night.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House pursuant to adjournment.

The following Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Senate has concurred in House amendments to Senate Bills as follows, and the same have been ordered to be enrolled :

No. 124, to change the county line between the counties of Lewis and Maury.

No. 104, to charter the Tennessee Marble, Mining, and Manufacturing Company.

The Senate has concurred in amendment, No. 1, to Senate Bill, No. 35, entitled

A bill to authorize the several courts of this State to adjudge costs, which have been omitted in taxing the costs.

And have non-concurred in amendment, No. 2, to said bill, and the same is herewith returned for the further consideration of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has amended, and passed on third reading, House Bills as follows :

No. 508, to charter the Strawberry Plains, Dandridge, and Newport Railroad.

No. 54, to charter the Bank of America.

No. 227, to amend the act of 1853-4, chap. 181.

No. 186½, to charter the Knoxville, Sevierville, and Paint Rock Railroad Company.

And the same are returned for concurrence.

The Senate has passed, without amendment, House Bill, No. 316, to incorporate the Agents of the Publishing House of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in the city of Nashville.

And the same is returned for enrollment.

The House then resumed the unfinished business of the evening, being

Senate Bill, No. 215, for the benefit of the Penitentiary of the State.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To strike out so much of the bill as requires one-half the convict labor to be employed in working on stone, and also to strike out eight hundred dollars, and insert a thousand as the salary of the First Clerk.

Mr. Newman called the previous question.

The House refused to sustain the call.

That portion of Mr. Cavitt's amendment in relation to the Clerk's salary,

Was rejected.

The remainder of the amendment was adopted.

Mr. Nixon moved

To strike out the fifth section of the bill.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, offered an amendment, authorizing the Agent of the Penitentiary to take out ten convicts, in addition to those already authorized by law, to work in rock quarries.

The amendment was adopted, and the bill passed second reading.

On motion,

House bills on second reading were taken up.

Bill, No. 113, to suppress drunkenness,

Was withdrawn by Mr. Carlock, by leave of the House.

Bill, No. 426, to legalize the official acts of Justices of the Peace, &c.,

Was withdrawn by Mr. Colburn.

Bill, No. 438, to improve the navigation of Little Tennessee River,

Was, by leave of the House, withdrawn by Mr. Colburn.

Bill, No. 471, for the benefit of the Manchester and McMinnville Railroad Company,

Was, by leave of the House, withdrawn by Mr. Mabry.

Bill, No. 449, to amend the 13th section of an act entitled An act, passed 1804, chapter 1, in relation to public roads,

Passed second reading.

Bill, No. 456, to establish the county of Cass,

Was taken up.

Mr. Meek moved

The indefinite postponement of the bill.

Mr. Dortch called the previous question on the motion.

The House sustained the call.

The bill was then indefinitely postponed.

Bill, No. 499, to better secure the administration of the law, and to protect the revenue of the State,

Was taken up.

Mr. Stovall moved

Its indefinite postponement.

The motion prevailed.

Bill, No. 502, requiring the Attorney General of the State to prepare a tabular statement of all legal costs incident to judicial proceedings,

Was withdrawn by Mr. Davie, by leave of the House.

Bill, No. 298, to suppress the circulation of Bank Notes of a less denomination than five dollars, payable without the State,

Was, by leave of the House, withdrawn by Mr. Thomas.

Bill, No. 514, to amend an act passed February 4, 1852, to change the line between Hardin and Decatur counties,

Was, by leave of the House, withdrawn by Mr. Kimble.

Bill, No. 457, for the relief of Paulina Taylor, widow of James Taylor, deceased,

Was, by leave of the House, withdrawn by Mr. Colburn.

On motion of Mr. Looney,
Bill, No. 249½, to amend the charter of the Columbia and Hampshire Turnpike Company,

Was taken up, and Senate's amendment thereto concurred in.

On motion,

Senate Bills on third reading,

Were taken up.

Senate Bill, No. 83, to amend an act entitled

An act to incorporate the Mississippi River Levee Company, and the Forked Deer and Obion Levee Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Dortch offered an amendment amendatory of the act passed at the present General Assembly, in relation to the State Agricultural Bureau.

Mr. Davie offered an amendment incorporating Montgomery General Insurance and Trust Company.

Mr. Holmes obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 492, to incorporate the Memphis Agricultural Fair Grounds Company, and offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

Mr. White offered an amendment incorporating the Walden's Ridge Coal and Iron Company.

Mr. Ball obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 437, for the benefit of Hawkins Lodge, No. 41, I. O. O. F., and offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

Mr. Thomas offered an amendment incorporating the Durhamville Manufacturing Company.

Mr. Taylor offered an amendment incorporating the Coyington and Sharon Plank Road Company.

Mr. Tipton offered an amendment incorporating the Knoxville and Rutledge Turnpike Company.

Mr. Algee obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 447, to amend the act of 1852, chartering the Nashville and North-Western Railroad Company, and offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

All the amendments were adopted, except that of Mr. Algee;

Which was rejected.

Mr. Looney offered as an amendment incorporating the Harpeth Lick, Bethesda and Thompson's Station Turnpike Company.

Mr. Armstrong offered an amendment incorporating the Knoxville Hotel Company, and Knoxville Commercial and Life Insurance Company.

Mr. Brazelton offered an amendment incorporating the Saltillo and Jack's Creek Plank Road Company.

Mr. Pogue obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 487, to incorporate the town of Clifton, and offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

Mr. Mabry offered an amendment amendatory of the charter of the Manchester and McMinnville Railroad Company, in regard to the eligibility of directors.

Mr. Looney moved

A reconsideration of the vote rejecting the amendment of Mr. Algee.

The House reconsidered the vote of rejection.

On the adoption of the amendment, Mr. Parks demanded the ayes and noes:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carmichael, Colquet, Cowden, Davie, Fort, Looney, Mabry, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, White, Whiteside, and Wilson of Marshall—22.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colburn, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Shemwell, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—29.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	22
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	29

The amendment was rejected.

Mr. Carmichael offered an amendment, extending the corporate limits of the town of Morristown.

Mr. Bullen offered an amendment, providing that nothing in the bill contained shall be construed to grant banking privileges or State aid.

Mr. Holmes moved

To lay Mr. Bullen's amendment on the table.

Mr. Donelson called the previous question on Mr. Bullen's amendment.

The House sustained the call.

The amendment was then adopted.

All the amendments, except that offered by Mr. Algee, having been adopted,

Mr. Tipton demanded the ayes and noes on the passage of the bill:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Fort, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Shemwell, Stovall, Tompkins, Wallace, Ward, White, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—37.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bullen, Burch, Galbreath, Harris, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Thomas, Tipton, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—13.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	37
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	13

The bill passed its third reading.

On motion of Mr. Nixon,
Senate Bill, No. 35, to authorize the several courts of this State
to adjudge costs which have been omitted in taxing the costs,

Was taken up:

Mr. Nixon moved

To recede from House amendment to said bill, in relation to the
administrations of estates.

The motion prevailed,
And the House receded.

Mr. Nixon moved

That the House adjourn till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

The motion failed.

On motion of Mr. Armstrong,

Bill, No. 186½, to charter the Knoxville, Sevierville and Paint
Rock Railroad Company.

Was taken up,

And Senate amendment to the same concurred in.

Mr. Newman moved

A call of the House,

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Wallace, on account of sick-
ness in his family.

On motion,

The House adjourned till to-morrow morning, five minutes be-
fore 9 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 27, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that
Bills, Nos. 361, 407, 480, 494, were correctly engrossed; and Bills,
Nos. 368, 234, 362, also, Resolution, No. 166, were correctly en-
rolled.

Mr. Galbreath obtained leave to withdraw Bill, 308, to encour-
age the raising of blooded stock, and for the benefit of Common
Schools.

Mr. Donelson obtained leave to withdraw Bill, 334, to amend an act passed 31st February, 1852, chapter 154.

House Bill, No. 337, to transfer certain record books and papers from the Secretary's office to the Land Office,

Was rejected by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Welcker, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—26.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carmichael, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Fort, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Snodgrass, Thomas, Ward, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—28.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28

Bill, No. 320, to amend the laws in reference to appeals from courts of Chancery in certain cases,

Was rejected by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Brazelton, Burch, Cavitt, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Gleaves, Hatton, Kimble, Little, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Snodgrass, Welcker, and Mr. Speaker Brown—22.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Bobo, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Cowden, DeWitt, Galbreath, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Ward, White, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—31.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31

Bill, No. 344, to prescribe the manner of changing the titles of land sold for public taxes.

Was taken up.

Mr. Ball offered an amendment in relation to keeping up a fence dividing the lands of two neighbors.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was then rejected by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Carlock, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dunnington, Fort, Kimble, Little, Massengill, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Shemwell, Thomas, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—25.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Cowden, DeWitt, Dortch, Fielder, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Kinney, Looney,

Mabry, Mathis, Meek, Newman, Parks, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—34.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	25
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	34

Bill, No. 351, to amend the laws in reference to Notaries Public, Was, on motion of Mr. Tipton, indefinitely postponed.

Bill, No. 253, to make owners of negro slaves liable for their acts, Was, on motion of Mr. Mathis, indefinitely postponed.

Bill, No. 357, to amend the act of 1839, chapter 26, section 3, Was, on motion of Mr. Harris, indefinitely postponed.

Bill, No. 374, to amend the school law, Was taken up.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, offered an amendment, repealing the first and second sections of the act of 1853, chapter 71, entitled An act to establish a system of common schools in this State.

The amendment, on motion of Mr. Mathis, was laid on the table, and the bill passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Fielder, Fort, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Little, Looney, Massengill, Newman, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—39.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Bullen, Carmichael, Colquet, Galbreath, Gallaway, Kinney, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Snodgrass, Stovall, and Ward—17.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	39
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17

Bill, No. 383½ to amend the law relative to the sale of lands by virtue of executions issued by Justices of the Peace,

Was, on motion of Mr. Cox, indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Massengill returned with a bill in lieu of

Bill, No. 378, to appropriate money to build a bridge across Holston River wherever the Blountsville, Middletown, and Elizabethton Turnpike crosses said river;

Which was taken up.

Mr. Thomas moved

To postpone indefinitely the bill and bill in lieu.

Mr. Kimble moved

To lay the motion of Mr. Thomas on the table.

The motion to lay on the table prevailed.

Mr. DeWitt offered an amendment appropriating three thousand dollars, to build a bridge across Round Lick, in Smith county, at Rome.

Mr. Galbreath offered an amendment, appropriating ten thousand

dollars, to the building of the Doe Creek and ——— Railroad in Jackson county.

Mr. Gleaves offered an amendment, appropriating the dividends of the Nashville and Lebanon Turnpike Company, to the amount of five thousand dollars, to the Stewart's Ferry and Statesville Turnpike Company.

Mr. Meek offered an amendment, for the benefit of the Cincinnati, Cumberland Gap and Charleston Railroad Company.

The bill in lieu was adopted.

Mr. Harris called the previous question.

Mr. Meek demanded the ayes and noes on the call :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bobo, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Davie, Fielder, Fort, Harris, Kimble, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—34.

Noes—Messrs. Brazelton, Carlock, Carmichael, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Kinney, Looney, Meek, Myatt, Northcutt, Pogue, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—23.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23

The House sustained the call.

The bill was then rejected by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bullen, Burch, Colquet, Colburn, Cox, Davie, Fielder, Harris, Hatton, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Massengill, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Tipton, Welcker, White, and Whiteside—23.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Cowden, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Little, Mabry, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, Mr. Speaker Brown—36.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36

Bill, No. 387, for the relief of Jesse Locke,

Was, on motion of Mr. Mathis, indefinitely postponed.

Bill, No. 388, to amend an act called An act better to secure the rights of tobacco planters,

Passed third reading by the failowing vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt,

Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman and Mr. Speaker Brown—54.

Noes—Messrs. Brien, Brown of Madison, Gallaway, and Wilson of Marshall—4.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	54
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4

Gill, No. 391, to amend the internal improvement acts, and preserve the credit of the State,

Was rejected by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Cowden, DeWitt, Donelson, Fielder, Galbreath, Gleaves, Kimble, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Parks, Runnels, Shemwell, Smith, Thomas, Tompkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—25.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Brien Bullen, Burch, Colquet, Cox, Fort, Gallaway, Harris, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Stovall, Tipton, Ward, Welcker, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—31.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31

Bill, No. 411, to change the line of Polk and McMinn counties, Was, by leave of the House, withdrawn by Mr. Carlock.

Bill, No. 417, to amend the criminal laws of this State,

Was, on motion of Mr. Newman, indefinitely postponed.

Bill, No. 425, to regulate the payment of costs in cases of misdemeanor.

Bill, No. 428, to authorize the building of a dam and fish-trap on Holston River,

Was, by leave of the House, withdrawn by Mr. White.

Bill, No. 429, to incorporate the Emery Manufacturing and Transportation Company,

Was, by leave of the House, withdrawn by Mr. Myatt.

Bill, No. 432, to regulate Banking,

Passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bobo, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Colquet, Cowden, Cox, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Parks, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—40.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Brazelton, Brien, Davie, Fort, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Little, Massengill, Nixon, Pogue, Snodgrass, Tipton, Ward, and Mr. Speaker Brown—16.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16

Bill, No. 342, to amend the act entitled

An act to incorporate the Western Central Turnpike Company,
Was taken up.

Mr. Smith offered an amendment, appropriating a hundred thousand dollars to McNairy county to purchase guano and other fertilizers.

Mr. Tipton called the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill was then rejected by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Brien, Cox, Davie, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Myatt, Northcutt, Richey, Snodgrass, Taylor, Tipton, and Whiteside—16.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Little, Mathis, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Pogue, Runnels, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—37.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	37

Bill, No. 435, to amend the act of 1807, chap. 8, sec. 3, in relation to killing stock, &c.,

Passed third reading by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Burch, Carlock, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fort, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Little, Looney, Nixon, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Shemwell, Taylor, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—34.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Bullen, Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, Fielder, Gallaway, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Parks, Rudd, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Tipton, and Wood of Cannon—23.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23

Mr. Dortch, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported back Senate Bill, No. 222, to defray the expenses of the General Assembly, and recommended various amendments for the benefit of the officers and servants of the House, and for the benefit of persons who have furnished stationery, coal, &c.;

Which were adopted.

On the adoption of the amendments offered by Mr. Bullen on yesterday, in relation to the pay of the Clerks and other officers of the two Houses, Mr. Cavitt demanded the ayes and noes:

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Donelson, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Tipton, and Wood of Hardeman—25.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Dunnington, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Newman, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—31.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31

The amendment was rejected.

An amendment was adopted for the benefit of the Bank of Tennessee.

On motion of Mr. Harris,

So much of the bill was stricken out as provides for the furnishing of certain counties with Journals and Statutes.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To strike out thirty cents per page allowed the Clerks for copying the Journal, and insert in lieu ten cents per hundred words.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Fielder moved

To strike out that portion of the bill which allows "George" three dollars per day for waiting on the House of Representatives.

Mr. Cavitt called for a division of the question.

On the motion to strike out, Mr. Fielder demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Carlock, Donelson, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Parks, Thomas, Welcker, and Wood of Hardeman—14.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Stovall, Tompkins, Ward, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—40.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40

The motion failed.

Mr. Parks offered an amendment, requiring the Secretary of State to take charge of the stationery, coal, &c., left on hand when the present General Assembly adjourns.

The amendment was adopted, and the bill passed second reading.

Mr. Cavitt obtained leave to withdraw the motion heretofore entered by him,

To reconsider the vote passing on third reading Senate Bill, No. 42, to amend an act entitled An act to amend the Criminal Laws of this State, passed 28th February, 1852.

Mr. Armstrong then renewed the motion.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, submitted the following report :

MR. SPEAKER:

The Joint Committee of Conference, on the disagreeing votes of the Senate and House on the House's amendment to Senate Bill, No. 160, have had said amendment under consideration, and are unable to agree. The Committee, therefore, beg to be discharged from its further consideration.

R. H. WOOD,
Chairman of the House Committee.

The Committee were discharged, as requested.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Senate has concurred in House amendments to the following Senate bills :

No. 67, entitled a bill to amend the Criminal Laws of this State.

No. 65, to amend an act passed March 2, 1852, chapter 262, entitled An act to amend the charter of the Stone's River and Statesville Turnpike Company.

No. 21, to amend an act passed February 25, 1854, to incorporate the Murfreesboro and Liberty Turnpike Company,

After amending amendment, No. 3, and the same is herewith returned for further concurrence.

No. 70, to incorporate the Murfreesboro Building and Loan Association.

The Senate has non-concurred in House amendment, No. 2, to Senate Bill, No. 34, to amend the General Incorporation Laws, concurring in amendments, Nos. 1 and 3, to said bill ;

And non-concurred in House amendment, No. 4, to Senate Bill, No. 69, to charter the Alexandria and Rome Turnpike Company, after concurring in other House amendments to said bill ;

And non-concurred in House amendment, No. 1, to Senate Bill, No. 68, to amend the Criminal Laws, concurring in other House amendments to said bill.

And the same are herewith returned for further action.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Parks,

The Clerk was authorized to employ such assistance as may be necessary to secure the engrossing of all the House bills passed on third reading, in time to have the same ready for transmission to the Senate to-morrow morning.

Mr. Meek introduced Resolution, No. 171, in relation to the distribution of public documents among the people of the State.

On motion of Mr. Meek,

The rule was suspended.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, moved

To amend, by striking out all after the word "especially," in regard to the reports of the Commissioners of the Bank of Tennessee.

The motion prevailed, and the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Newman introduced Resolution, No. 172, as follows:

Resolved, That the Speaker of this House be instructed to appoint, immediately, a committee of three to act in conjunction with a committee appointed, or to be appointed, by the Senate, to investigate the official conduct of the present Penitentiary Inspectors, with authority to send for all necessary witnesses and papers; and that they report to this body at their earliest convenience.

On motion of Mr. Newiran,

The rule was suspended.

Mr. Bullen called the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The resolution was adopted.

Bill, No. 370, to incorporate the Gayoso Savings Institution,

Was taken up.

Mr. Burch offered an amendment incorporating the Chattanooga Savings Institute.

The amendment was adopted, and the bill passed third reading.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported on Bill, No. 388, as correctly engrossed, and on Bills, Nos. 183, 290, 316, and 324, as correctly enrolled.

Bill, No. 449, to amend the 13th section of an act entitled

An act, passed 1804, chapter 1, in relation to public roads,

Passed third reading by the following vote:

Ayes--Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder Fort, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Runnels, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown. 39.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Cavitt, Cox, Galbreath, Gallaway, Hatton, Little, Looney, Massengill, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Tipton, and Ward—18.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	39
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18

Mr. Bobo, from the Select Committee, heretofore appointed to investigate the official conduct of W. B. A. Ramsey, late Secretary of State, reported. (See Appendix)

Bill, No. 462, to incorporate the Knoxville Steam Mill Company, Was, by leave of the House, withdrawn by Mr. White.

Bill, No. 468, to amend an act, passed 31st January, 1848, entitled

An act to reduce the several acts incorporating the town of Nashville into one, and amend the same,

Was, by leave of the House, withdrawn by Mr. Cox.

Bill, No. 483, to confer upon the Common Law and Circuit Courts of Tennessee jurisdiction in cases of salvage,

Passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brien, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Holmes, Kimble, Little, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Rudd, Stovall, Ward, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—37.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Colquet, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Tipton, and Wood of Cannon—14.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	37
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	14

Mr. Dunnington moved

To reconsider the vote adopting Resolution, No. 172, in regard to Penitentiary Inspectors.

The House reconsidered the vote.

Mr. Dunnington moved

To amend the resolution so as to make it a joint resolution.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Tipton moved

To amend by providing that the Committee shall send for the Inspectors of the Penitentiary themselves, and examine them as to their official conduct.

Mr. Harris called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

On the adoption of the resolution, Mr. Parks demanded the ayes and noes;

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson,

Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Taylor, Thomas, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman—39.

Noes—Messrs. Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Holmes, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, and Mr. Speaker Brown—18.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	39
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Brazelton moved

To reconsider the vote of adoption.

Mr. Shemwell demanded the ayes and noes:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Taylor, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, and White—24.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—37.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	24
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	37

The House refused to reconsider.

Bill, No. 495, for the benefit of the East Tennessee Hospital, Was taken up.

Mr. Richey offered an amendment appropriating five thousand dollars for the erection of a hospital at Cleveland.

Mr. Brazelton moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

The motion prevailed.

The bill was then rejected by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Carmichael, Colburn, Davie, Dortch, Harris, Hatton, Kinney, Looney, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Pogue, Rudd, Thomas, Tompkins, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—22.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, Cox, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Kimble, Little, Mabry, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Tipton, Ward, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—38.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	38

Bill No. 496, amendatory of the quart law,
Was taken up.

Mr. Bullen, offered an amendment, leaving it to the incorporated towns to regulate the sale of spirituous liquors, within their limits and repealing all laws authorizing "inquisitional power," except in cases of sales of ardent spirits to slaves, to minors, or on Sunday, or to free persons of color.

Mr. Dortch called the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill was then rejected by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Cox, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Holmes, Little, Looney, Parks, Runnels, Taylor, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—23.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Davie, DeWitt, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Tipton, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman—34.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34

Bill No. 500, to do justice to accomodation endorsers, passed 3d reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Bullen, Carlock, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Fielder, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Watkins, Welcker, White, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—34.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brien, Burch, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Holmes, Kimble, Little, Looney, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Runnels, Smith, Taylor, Ward, Whiteside—25.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25

Bill No. 505, for the relief of widows, was, by leave of the House, withdrawn by Mr. Stovall.

Bill No. 506, to regulate to duties of Trustees and Assignees,
Was taken up.

Mr. Brien (for Mr. Snodgrass,) offered an amendment authorizing guardians to vest the wards' estates in incorporated manufacturing companies.

Mr. Dortch moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

The motion prevailed.

The bill then was rejected by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brazelton, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pope, Taylor, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—28.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brien, Bullen, Cavitt, Colquet, De Witt, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Tipton, Watkins, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—31.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31

Bill No. 510, to prevent obstructions in running streams, and their becoming nuisances,

Was, by leave of the House, withdrawn by Mr. Cavitt.

Bill No 517, to prescribe the duties of Circuit Court Judges, in this State,

Was, on motion of Mr. Cox, indefinitely postponed.

Bill No. 518, for the promotion of the cause of Temperance, &c.

Was, by leave of the House, withdrawn by Mr. Myatt.

Bill No. 519, for the building of a bridge across Obed's River in Morgan county,

Was, on motion of Mr. Mathis, indefinitely postponed.

A message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : —

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled act.

To amend the charter of the Knoxville and Kentucky Railroad Company.

And the same is herewith transmitted for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has rejected House Bill No. 464, entitled

A bill to settle and establish the line between the counties of Shelby and Tipton.

And the same is herewith returned.

On motion of Mr. Dortch, Senate Messages were taken up.

Senate Bill No. 190, to change the line between the counties of White and Putnam,

Was taken up ;

And the House receded from the amendment in which the Senate has non-concurred.

House Bill, No. 54,* to charter the Bank of America of Tennessee,

Was taken up.

On motion of Mr. Davie,
Senate amendment No. 1, to said bill was concurred in.

Mr. Newman moved

To lay the whole subject on the table, and demanded the ayes and noes on the motion :

Ayes—Messrs. Bobo, Bullen, Cavitt, Colquet, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—20.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Burch, Carmichael, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gallaway, Gleaves, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Taylor, Tipton, Ward, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—35.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	20
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	35

The motion failed.

Mr. Davie moved

To concur in the remainder of Senate's amendments to the bill.

Mr. Newman demanded the ayes and noes on the motion:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Carmichael, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Myatt, Nixon, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Shemwell, Stovall, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Ward, Watkins, White, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—41.

Noes—Messrs. Cavitt, Colquet, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Gleaves, Mathis, Meek, Newman, Parks, Richey, Smith, Tompkins, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—16.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	41
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	16

The motion prevailed, and the House concurred.

Mr. Carlock was excused from voting on the bill—he having paired off with Mr. Wallace, who was in favor of the bill.

Mr. Hatton was also excused—he having paired off with Mr. Campbell.

Bill, No. 227, to amend the act of 1853-4, ch. 181,

Was taken up,

And Senate amendment thereto concurred in.

Senate Resolution, No. 72, in relation to school lands in the Hiwassee district,

Was taken up.

Mr. Carlock offered an amendment, in relation to school lands in the Ocoee and Hiwassee districts.

The amendment was adopted,

And the resolution, as amended, was adopted.

House Bill, No. 288, to exempt certain property from execution, and for other purposes,

Was taken up.

Senate amendments, Nos. 1 and 2, were concurred in.

Senate amendment, No. 5, striking out the 5th section of the bill, was non-concurred in.

Senate amendment, No. 3, was concurred in.

Senate amendment, No. 4, was concurred in.

House Bill, 226, to amend an act passed January 31, 1854, entitled

An act to charter the Carthage, Alexandria and Red Sulphur Springs Turnpike Company, and for other purposes,

Was taken up,

And Senate amendment thereto concurred in.

An act to amend an act, passed 19th January, 1848, entitled

An act to amend an act, passed 16th December, 1837, entitled An act to incorporate the Oak Grove Academy, in the town of Cleveland, in the county of Bradley, and also, for the benefit of the Somerville Model School, in Fayette county,

House bill, No. 406, to amend an act passed 19th January, 1848, entitled

Was taken up.

Mr. DeWitt offered an amendment to Senate amendment to the same, incorporating the Irving Club.

The amendment was adopted,

And the Senate's amendment, as amended, was concurred in.

House Bill, No. 377, for the relief of Sneed Harris, of the county of Shelby, and for other purposes.

Was taken up,

And Senate's amendment concurred in.

House Bill, No. 202, to establish the county of Cheatham,

Was taken up,

Mr. Brien offered an amendment to the Senate amendments to the same, changing the county line of DeKalb and Warren.

Mr. Smith offered an amendment, creating the 16th civil district in McNairy county.

Mr. Rudd offered an amendment, changing the county line of Monroe and Polk counties.

The amendments were adopted,

And the Senate amendments, as amended, were concurred in.

Mr. Cavitt entered a motion to reconsider the vote concurring in Senate amendments.

House Bill, No. 266, for the benefit of the heirs and devisees of M. Jules Godeau d'Eutrigues and Madame Agatha Garand d'Eutrigues,

Was taken up,

And Senate's amendment for the benefit of the heirs of David Woods, was concurred in.

Mr. Cavitt entered a motion to reconsider the vote concurring in Senate amendment to House Bill, No. 288, to exempt certain property from execution, and for other purposes.

House Bill, No. 508, to charter the Strawberry Plains, Dandridge and Newport Railroad Company,

Was taken up,

And Senate amendments to the same were concurred in.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Runnels, on account of severe illness in his family.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 7 o'clock, to-night.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Cavitt moved a call of the House.

Present—

Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Fort, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Rudd, Stovall, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—45.

On motion,

The call was suspended.

A quorum shortly afterwards being present, the House resumed consideration of Senate messages.

The motion called by Mr. Cavitt to reconsider the vote concurring in Senate's amendments to House Bill, No. 202, to establish the county of Cheatham,

Was taken up.

Upon the question of reconsideration, Mr. Fort called for the yeas and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Kimble, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Stovall, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—22.

Noes—Messrs Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Cirmichael, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Parks, Pogue, Rudd, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, and Mr. Speaker Brown—32.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32

The motion to reconsider failed.

The House concurred in Senate's amendments to House amendment to Senate Bill, No. 98, to provide for the payment of certain State bonds.

The amendment of the Senate to House Bill, No. 291, to authorize James Parks and Company to build a bridge across Ocoee River, at or near Parksville, in Polk county,

Was concurred in.

The amendment of the Senate to House amendment, No. 3, to Senate Bill, No. 21, to amend the charter of the Murfreesboro and Liberty Turnpike Company,

Was concurred in.

The House adhered to its amendment, No. 2, to Senate Bill, No. 34, to amend the general incorporation laws of this State, and retrench the expenses of legislation.

The amendment of the House to Senate Bill, No. 68, to amend the Criminal Laws of this State, and for other purposes,

Was, on motion of Mr. Dortch, adhered to.

The amendment of the House to Senate Bill, No. 69, to charter the Alexandria and Rome Turnpike Company,

Was, on motion of Mr. Parks, adhered to.

Mr. Cavitt moved

A reconsideration of the vote adhering to the amendment to Senate Bill, No. 34, in which the Senate non-concurs.

The motion failed.

Senate Bill, No. 214, to provide for the completion of the Capitol, and for other purposes,

Was taken up.

Mr. Nixon offered a section in lieu of the 5th section, as in the original bill.

Mr. Hatton moved

To amendment by striking out the words "at former prices," and insert in lieu thereof, "at such prices as may be agreed upon between the Commissioners of the Capitol and the Agent of the Penitentiary."

Mr. Meek moved

To lay the amendments on the table.

The motion failed.

Mr. Nixon moved

To lay the amendment offered by Mr. Hatton to the amendment of Mr. Nixon on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Hatton moved

To lay Mr. Nixon's amendment on the table.

The motion failed.

Mr. Holmes moved

To strike out the words "at former prices" in Mr. Nixon's amendment, and insert "fifty cents" in lieu.

The motion failed.

Mr. Temple offered an amendment declaring Francis W. Strickland, Architect of the Capitol, until its completion, and increasing his salary to \$2000.

The amendment, on motion of Mr. Donelson, was laid on the table.

Mr. Bullen moved

To give the custody of the two Halls of the Capitol.

Mr. Tipton moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

The motion prevailed.

The amendment of Mr. Nixon was adopted.

Mr. Looney called for the previous question.

The call was sustained.

Upon the passage of the bill, the following vote was had:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Heaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Little, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Rudd, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—40.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Cavitt, Galbreath, Harris, Kinney, Lassengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Stovall, and Tipton—12.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40
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Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
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The bill passed third reading.

Senate Bill, No. 215, for the benefit of the Penitentiary of the State,

Was taken up.

Mr. Cavitt moved

An amendment providing that in the enlargement of the Penitentiary walls, the stone composing the old Hospital walls, be used in the construction of the new wall.

Mr. Meek moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

The motion failed.

Mr. Parks moved

Its indefinite postponement.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Newman moved

To strike out so much of the bill as allows Isaac Paul four hun-

dred dollars for services in superintending the repairs made to the Penitentiary, after its partial consumption by fire during the last year.

Mr. Temple moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

Upon the motion to lay the amendment of Mr. Newman on the table, the following vote was had:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Colburn, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Rudd, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, and Mr. Speaker Brown—34.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—21.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21

The motion prevailed, and the amendment was laid on the table. Mr. Looney then called for the previous question.

The call was sustained.

Upon the passage of the bill, the following vote was had:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Colburn, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Looney, Meek, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Rudd, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—34.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Kinney, Little, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Tipton, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—21.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21

The bill passed its third reading.

Mr. Dunnington entered a motion,

To reconsider the vote rejecting Bill, No. 506, to regulate the duties of assignees and trustees.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER:

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts as follows and they have been deposited with the Secretary of State:

To amend the charter of the city of Nashville, and for other purposes.

To charter the Bluff City Building and Loan Association Company of Memphis, and for other purposes.

An act to incorporate the Agents of the Methodist Publishing House of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in the city of Nashville.

An act to establish a system patrols.

An act to incorporate Eureka College, and for other purposes.

The Senate has concurred in sixteen House amendments to Senate Bill, No. 83, entitled

A bill to amend an act to incorporate the Mississippi River Levee Company, and the Forked Deer and Obion River Levee Company.

And the same has been ordered to be enrolled.

The Senate has concurred in House amendments to Senate Bills,

No. 72, to provide an annual sum for the support and maintenance of the Deaf and Dumb Asylum at Knoxville.

No. 204, to amend the charter of the Atlantic, Tennessee, and Ohio Railroad Company.

And the same have been ordered to be enrolled.

The Senate has concurred in amendment, No. 1, to Senate Bill, No. 77, entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the Firemen's Insurance Company of Nashville, passed 25th February, 1852,

And amended amendments, Nos. 2 and 3, and concurred in the same ;

And the same are herewith returned for the further consideration of the House.

The Senate has non-concurred in House amendment to Senate Bill, No. 4, entitled

A bill to repeal section 3, of the act of 1853, chapter 72.

The Senate has concurred in House amendments, Nos. 1, 2, and 3, to Senate Bill, No. 174, entitled

A bill to change the time of holding the Circuit Court at Manchester, Coffee county, after amending Nos. 2 and 3.

And the same are returned for the further consideration of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has passed, on third and last reading, Senate Bill, No. 220, entitled

A bill to prohibit Sabbath breaking,

And adopted Senate Resolution, No. 93, relative to school lands in White, and other counties.

And the same are herewith transmitted for the consideration of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has receded from its amendment to House Bill, No. 4, to amend the practice in the Chancery Courts.

And the same is returned for enrollment.

The Senate has adopted House Resolutions—

No. 168, to provide for the distribution of the reports of the State Geologist.

No. 161, recommending the appointment by Congress of an accredited Commercial Agent, resident in foreign ports.

And has rejected House Resolutions—

No. 170, in relation to printing the Revised Statutes.

No. 122½, providing for the purchase of \$1,000 worth of Ramsey's Annals of Tennessee.

And the Senate has amended and adopted House Resolution—

No. 172, providing for a Joint Select Committee to investigate the conduct of the Inspectors of the Penitentiary, after amending the same.

And it is herewith returned for further consideration of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has non-concurred in Senate amendment, No. 1, for the benefit of Larkin Carden, to Senate Bill, No. 194, entitled

A bill for the benefit of James Mitchell.

And has concurred in amendments, No. 2 and 3, to said bill.

And it is herewith returned for further consideration.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 28, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported Bills, Nos. 370, 435, 374, 432, 500, 449, and 483, and on Resolution, No. 171, as correctly engrossed; and on Bills, Nos. 212, 237, 377, 234, 325, 362, and 368, and Resolution, No. 166, as correctly enrolled.

The Speaker presented an invitation from J. B. Lindsley, D.D., of the Medical Faculty of Nashville University, requesting presence of the members of the House of Representatives at Fifth Annual Commencement, to be held on Thursday night, 28 inst., at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

On motion of Mr. Fielder,
The invitation was accepted.

The Speaker also presented a petition from Duncan Brown, James W. Brown, and James W. Stephenson, of Maury county, praying for authority to sell Union Seminary in said county, and apply the proceeds to the benefit of Stewart College, in Montgomery county.

Mr. Little obtained leave to change his vote on Senate Bill, No. 215, for the benefit of the Penitentiary of the State, and voted in favor of said bill.

Mr. Nixon then moved

To reconsider the vote passing said bill on third and last reading,
and demanded the ayes and noes on the motion :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Shemwell, Smith, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—27.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carmichael, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Meek, Newman, Parks, Rudd, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, and Mr. Speaker Brown—29.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29

The House refused to reconsider.

Mr. Tipton called up the motion heretofore entered to reconsider the vote passing, on third and last reading, Senate Bill, No. 42, to amend an act entitled

An act to amend the criminal laws of the State, passed February, 28, 1852.

On the motion to reconsider, Mr. Parks demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bullen, Burch, Colquet, Colburn, Davie, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Smith, Stovall, Tipton, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—31.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Cox, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Parks, Rudd, Shemwell, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—27.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	31
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	27

The House reconsidered the vote.

The bill was then rejected by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fielder, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Parks, Pogue, Temple, Tompkins, Ward, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—22

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Carmichael, Colquett, Colburn, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Tipton, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon and Mr. Speaker Brown—35.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	22
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	35

Mr. Parks called up the motion heretofore entered to reconsider the vote rejecting

Senate Bill, No. 159, to amend the law concerning corporations

The House refused to reconsider the vote of rejection.

Mr. Mabry introduced resolution No. 173, directory to the Governor of the State, in relation to changing the location of the Penitentiary of the State.

The resolution, under the rule, was laid over one day.

Mr. Mathis called up Resolution No. 165, addressed to the Governor of the State, in relation to the adjournment of the present General Assembly, *sine die*.

The resolution was,

On motion of Mr. Newman,

So amended as to be a joint resolution, and then adopted.

Mr. Brown of Madison called up the motion heretofore entered to reconsider the vote concurring in the four first amendments of the Senate to bill No. 288, to exempt certain property from execution, and for other purposes.

Mr. Cavitt demanded the ayes and noes, on the motion :

Ayes—Messrs. Bullen, Cavitt, Colquett, Harris, Kinney, Little, Massengill, Meek and Tipton—9.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Looney, Mabry, Mathis, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—51.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	9
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	51

The House refused to reconsider.

Mr. Nixon moved

To reconsider the vote non-concurring in Senate amendment, No. 5, to said bill.

The House refused to reconsider.

Mr. Welcker called up the motion heretofore entered to reconsider the vote rejecting

Bill No. 506, to regulate the duties of trustees and assignees.

The House reconsidered the vote of rejection.

The bill was then by leave of the House withdrawn by Mr. Welcker.

Senate Bill, No. 88, to settle the law of sales in equity.

Was, on motion of Mr. Brown of Madison, indefinitely postponed.

Senate Bill, No. 95, to amend the charter of the Edgefield Bucket and Broom Manufacturing Company, passed 21st February, 1852,

Was taken up.

Mr. Davie offered an amendment authorizing the Trustees of Union Seminary in Maury county, to sell the same, and transfer the proceeds to Stewart College in Montgomery county.

On motion of Mr. Looney, the amendment was so amended as to provide that the consent of all parties interested shall first be obtained.

The amendment, as amended, was adopted.

Mr. Myatt, offered an amendment, incorporating an association for the promotion of the cause of Temperance in Scott county.

Mr. White offered an amendment authorizing the erection of a dam and fish trap on Holston River ;

Also, an amendment incorporating the Knoxville Steam Mill Company ;

Also, an amendment appointing commissioners to receive subscription of stock to the Knoxville Foundry Road Company, the Knoxville Furniture Manufacturing Company, and the Knoxville Iron Company.

Mr. Gleaves offered an amendment incorporating the Jackson Medical College in the city of Nashville ;

Which was, on motion of Mr. Nixon, laid on the table.

Mr. Thomas offered an amendment incorporating the Brownsville Hotel company.

Mr. Cavitt, (for Mr. Gilbert,) offered an amendment, authorizing the citizens of Humphreys county, living near Duck River, to change the channel of said river at White Horse Bend.

Mr. Holmes offered an amendment amendatory of the charter of the Covington and Sharon Turnpike Company.

Mr. Armstrong (or Ball) offered an amendment authorizing Charles J. McKinney and John A. McKinney to raise their dam on Holston River, in Hawkins county.

Mr. Tipton moved

To lay the last amendment on the table.

The motion failed.

Mr. Myatt offered an amendment incorporating the Emery Manufacturing and Transportation Company.

Mr. Bullen offered an amendment providing that nothing contained in the act shall be construed to grant State aid, or banking privileges.

The various amendments were adopted, except that of Mr. Gleaves, and the bill, as amended, passed 3d reading.

Senate Bill, No. 85, to relinquish the State interest in the Forked Deer Turnpike Road, to Wm. D. Scales and the other private stockholders in said road,

Was taken up.

Mr. Parks offered a bill in lieu.

Mr. Tipton moved

To lay the bill on the table.

The motion failed.

The bill in lieu was adopted.

And the bill passed its third reading, by the following vote :

Ayes--Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown--40.

Noes--Messrs. Bobo, Brien, Bullen, Carmichael, Colquet, Harris, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, and Tipton--17.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17

Senate Bill, No. 100, to provide a remedy in favor of private individuals against the State of Tennessee,

Was taken up.

Mr. Tipton offered an amendment, conferring additional powers on the County Court in taking steps to prevent the spread of small-pox.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Holmes offered an amendment prescribing rules for the government of millers ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Stovall offered an amendment, providing that millers shall only be liable for the loss of such bags as are marked with the names of their owners ; which,

On motion of Mr. Bullen,

Was laid on the table.

Mr. DeWitt offered an amendment, providing that grand and petit juries, for the regular terms of Circuit Courts of this State, shall be nominated and appointed in the same manner as juries for called terms of said courts ; which,

On motion of Mr. Tipton,
Was laid on the table.

Mr. Welcker offered an amendment, regulating the duties of
trustees and assignees;
Which was adopted.

Mr. Cavitt offered an amendment, repealing so much of the act
of March 2, 1854, entitled

An act to incorporate the Etna Mining and Manufacturing Com-
pany, as confers banking privileges.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Burch offered an amendment, providing for the punishment
of fraudulent breeches of trust.

Mr. Meek offered an amendment to Mr. Burch's amendment,
providing for the punishment of the fraudulent issue of stock in in-
corporated companies in this State.

Mr. Meek's amendment to Mr. Burch's amendment
Was adopted.

And pending further discussion on the bill and amendments,

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The consideration of Senate Bill. No. 100, to provide a remedy
in favor of private individuals against the State of Tennessee, and
the amendments thereto.

Upon the adoption of the amendment of Mr. Burch, as amended,
Mr. Carlock demanded the ayes and noes:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Burch,
Carlock, Colburn, Cox, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington,
Fielder, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Looney, Mabry, Massengill,
Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Richey, Rudd, Stovall, Taylor,
Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of
Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—36.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bullen, Cavitt, Colquet, Galbreath,
Harris, Kinney, Mathis, Newman, Parks, Pogue, Smith, Tipton,
Watkins, and Wood of Cannon—15.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15

The amendment was adopted.

The bill then passed its third reading, by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Colburn, Cox, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Looney, Mabry, Myatt, Northcutt, Richey, Rudd, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman and Mr. Speaker Brown—32.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bullen, Cavitt, Colquet, Galbreath, Kinney, Little, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Smith, Snodgrass, Stovall, Watkins, White, and Wood of Cannon—21.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32
Noes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21

On motion,

Senate Bill, No. 222, to defray the expenses of the General Assembly,

Was taken up.

Various amendments were adopted for the benefit of those who have furnished stationery, &c., to the House and Senate, since the bill was introduced.

Mr. Davie offered an amendment for the benefit of the Bank Commissioners, at Clarksville.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Parks offered an amendment, authorizing the Secretary of State to take charge of the Senate Chamber, Hall of the House of Representatives, Committee rooms, &c., during the ensuing two years;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Cox offered an amendment, authorizing the increase of the salaries of the officers of the State Bank to an equality with the salaries of the officers of the Planters' Bank.

Mr. Galbreath moved to lay the amendment on the table.

Mr. Stovall demanded the ayes and noes on the motion :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Tipton, and Wilson of Marshall—25.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Mabry, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—34.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34

The motion failed.

Mr. Bullen moved

To amend the amendment by providing that the salaries of the clerks shall not exceed eighteen hundred dollars.

The motion failed.

Mr. Dunnington called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

On the adoption of the amendment, Mr. Galbreath demanded the ayes and noes:

Ayes—Messrs. Bartlett, Bobo, Cowden, Cox, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Mabry, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Pope, Smith, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—30.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Davie, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Rudd, Tipton, Whiteside, and Wilson or Marshall—29.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	30
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	29

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Dortch offered an amendment, giving the Public Printers ninety days after the adjournment of the General Assembly within which to print the Acts and Journals, provided they publish all laws, of a general nature in the newspapers, as now required by law.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Bullen offered an amendment, for the benefit of the Register of the Land office, at Nashville.

Mr. Davie offered an amendment, allowing the Comptroller half a dollar for signing a coupon bond, to be paid by the party to whom the bond is issued.

Mr. Armstrong demanded the ayes and noes, on the adoption of the amendment:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Brazelton, Carlock, Carmichael, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Rudd, Smith, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Wood of Hardeman, Mr. Speaker Brown—32.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Pope, Stovall, Tipton, Whiteside, Wilson or Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—26.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	32
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	26

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Brien offered an amendment, allowing the members of the next General Assembly six dollars per day, and the Speaker eight dollars per day, and limiting the session to ninety days.

Mr. Kinney moved

To lay the amendment on the table, and demanded the ayes and noes:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Carlock, Colquet, Cowden, Cox, Davie, Donelson, Fielder, Fort, Gallaway, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Smith, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Watkins, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Hardeman—33.

Noes—Messrs. Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colburn, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gleaves, Holmes, Little, Looney, Mabry, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Pope, Rudd, Stovall, Taylor, Thomas, Ward, Welcker, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—27.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27

The motion to lay on the table prevailed.

Mr. Harris moved

To strike out six hundred dollars as the amount allowed the Messenger of the Senate, and insert four hundred and fifty dollars in lieu.

The motion failed.

Mr. Tipton called for a division of the question on the passage of the bill.

Mr. Nixon called the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

On all of the bill, except the increase of the salary of the Bank officers, and the increase in the Comptrolleris fees, the vote was as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—57.

Noes—None.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	57
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	00

That portion of the bill passed third reading.

On the proposition to increase the salary of the Bank officers, and to increase the fees of the Comptroller, the vote was as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Burch, Cowden, Cox, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Little, Looney, Mabry, Smith, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—22.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Davie, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Kinney, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Tipton, Watkins, White, Whiteside, and Wilson of Marshall—37.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	22
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	37

That portion of the bill was rejected.

On motion,

Senate Bills on third reading were taken up.

Senate Bill, No. 189, to charter the Duck River Valley Railroad Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Looney offered an amendment, providing for the endorsement of the bonds of the Tennessee and Alabama Railroad Company, to enable them to complete their road.

Mr. Carmichael offered an amendment, providing for the endorsement of the bonds of the Cincinnati, Cumberland Gap, and Charleston Railroad Company.

Mr. Armstrong offered an amendment, providing for the endorsement of the bonds of the Sevier Turnpike Company.

Mr. Cox called for the previous question, on the adoption of Mr. Looney's amendment.

The House sustained the call.

Mr. Mr. Mathis demanded the ayes and noes, on the adoption of the amendment:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, and Whiteside—35.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gleaves, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Stovall, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—20.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	35
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	20

The amendment was adopted.

On the adoption of the amendment of Mr. Carmichael, Mr. Meek demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Carmichael, Colburn, Davie, Hatton, Kinney, Looney, Massengill, Meek, Northcutt, Rudd, Tipton, Welcker, and White—15.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, Cox, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Mabry, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Smith, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—41.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	15
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	41

The amendment was rejected.

Mr. Cowden called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill then passed third reading, by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Colburn, Cowden, Cox, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, and Whiteside—29.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bobo, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Cavitt, Colquet, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Parks, Smith, Stovall, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—24.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	29
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	24

Senate Bill, No. 102, to amend the act of 1815, chapter 20, in relation to guarnishments,

Was rejected by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Burch, Carlock, Cox, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Fort, Gleaves, Holmes, Looney, Meek, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Smith, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, and Whiteside—26.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Donelson, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Hatton, Kinney, Mabry, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Richey, Stovall, Watkins, White, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—27.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	26
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	27

Bill, No. 105, to economize the contingent expenses of the General Assembly of Tennessee,

Passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Fort, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney. Looney, Mabry, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Watkins, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—47.

Noes—Brien, Burch, and Massengill—3.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	47
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	3

On motion,

Senate Bill, No. 220, to prohibit Sabbath breaking,

Was taken up, and passed first reading.

Senate Bill, No. 109, to incorporate the Ashport and Ripley Plankroad Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Mathis moved

To strike out so much of the bill as authorizes said Company to purchase the interest of the State in the Ashport Turnpike Company.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Dunnington moved

To reconsider the vote striking out.

The House refused to reconsider.

Mr. Nixon offered an amendment, amendatory of the charter of the Tennessee and Alabama Railroad Company.

The amendment was adopted, and the bill passed third reading.

Senate Bill, No. 113, to increase the powers of Circuit and County Court Clerks,

Passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Bullen, Carlock, Carmichael, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—46.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brien, Cavitt, Colquet, Donelson, Fielder, Galbreath, Newman, and Stovall—9.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	46
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts as follows, and the same are herewith transmitted for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

To change the county line between the counties of Lewis and Maury.

To amend an act entitled

An act to incorporate the Nashville, Franklin, and Columbia Railroad Company.

An act to incorporate the Murfreesboro Building and Loan Association Company.

To amend the criminal laws of this State.

To amend the charter of the Central Southern Railroad Company.

To amend an act passed March 2, 1854, chap. 262, entitled

An act to amend the Stone's River and Statesville Turnpike Company.

To charter the Tennessee Marble, Mining, and Manufacturing Company.

An act to increase the salary of the Attorney General and Reporter for the State.

An act to incorporate the Holston Conference Preachers' Aid Society.

An act supplemental to an act passed February 27, 1852, entitled

An act to prescribe the mode of choosing Electors to vote for President and Vice President of the United States.

An act to prevent circuity of action, to enable courts of law to do justice and to save costs to parties litigant.

Authorizing the several courts of this State to adjudge costs which have been, or may hereafter be, omitted in taxing said costs.

The Senate has concurred in House amendment to Senate Bill No. 160, entitled

A bill to authorize the construction of a railroad from Shelbyville to the line of the State of Alabama, via Lewisburg, in the county of Marshall, and Pulaski, in the county of Giles.

The Committee of Conference having failed to agree on said amendment,

The Senate has reconsidered the vote rejecting House Resolution No. 122½, providing for the purchase of three hundred volumes of Ramsey's Annals of Tennessee, and I have been directed to request the return of said resolution to the Senate.

The Senate has concurred in House amendment to Senate Resolution, No. 72, in relation to school lands in the Hiwassee District.

And the same has been ordered to be enrolled.

The Senate has also concurred in House amendments to Senate Bill, No. 214, entitled

A bill to provide for the completion of the State Capitol.

The Senate adheres to its amendment, No. 5, to House Bill, No. 288, entitled

A bill to exempt certain property from execution, and for other purposes.

And the same is returned for further consideration.

The Senate has concurred in House amendment to Senate amendment to House Bill, No. 406, entitled

A bill to amend an act passed 19th January, 1848, entitled An act to amend an act passed 16th December, 1837, entitled An act to incorporate the Oak Grove Academy, in the town of Cleveland, in the county of Bradley, and also for the benefit of the Somerville Model School.

And the same is returned for enrollment.

The Senate has concurred in House amendments, Nos. 1 and 3, to Senate Bill, No. 215, entitled

A bill for the benefit of the Penitentiary of the State.

And has non-concurred in amendment, No. 2, to said bill.

And the same is herewith returned for further consideration.

The Senate has concurred in House amendments to Senate amendments to House Bill, No. 202, entitled

A bill to establish the county of Cheatham.

And the same is returned for enrollment.

The Senate has adopted House Resolution, No. 171, relative to the distribution of certain documents.

And the same is returned for enrollment.

And has indefinitely postponed House Bills as follows:

No. 435, to amend the act of 1801, chap. 8, sec. 3, in relation to killing stock.

No. 300, to do justice to accommodation endorsers.

No. 128, to provide for the punishment of persons interfering with trains on railroads.

No. 409, to create a sinking fund for the redemption of State bonds, issued to aid railroad companies, and railroad bonds endorsed by the State, and to amend the act of 1852, chap. 151.

The Senate has amended and passed on third reading, House Bills—

No. 64, to amend the revenue laws of this State, and to provide for a proper assessment.

No. 43, to guard against accidents upon railroads, and to protect the lives and property of citizens.

And the same are herewith returned for concurrence.

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts as follows, and the same have been deposited with the Secretary of State:

For the relief of Sneed Harris, of the county of Shelby, for the benefit of Jesse L. Horton, and to furnish Carter county with the 7th and 11th volumes of Humphreys' Reports, &c.

To authorize the election of an additional Justice of the Peace in the ninth civil district of Blount county, &c.

To incorporate Eureka College, and for other purposes.

To incorporate Stewart College, in Montgomery county, and for other purposes.

To incorporate the Building Company of the city of Memphis, and for other purposes.

To authorize James Parks & Co. to build a bridge across Ocoee River, at or near Parksville, in the county of Polk, and for other purposes.

For the benefit of turnpike roads.

And Enrolled Resolution in regard to the voluntary inspection system in Louisiana.

The Senate has passed, without amendment, House Bill, No. 270, entitled

A bill to amend the civil practice in certain cases, and for other purposes,

And the same is returned for enrollment.

On motion of Mr. Cavitt,

Resolution, No. 122½, providing for the purchase of three hundred volumes of Ramsey's Annals of Tennessee, was returned to the Senate as requested.

Mr. Ward moved

To take up Resolution, No. --, in relation to the appointment of a committee to investigate the official conduct of the present Inspectors of the Penitentiary.

The motion failed.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER :—

The Senate has receded from its non-concurrence in House amendment, No. 1, to Senate Bill, No. 68, entitled

A bill to amend the Criminal Laws of this State, and for other purposes ;

And the same has been ordered to be enrolled.

The Senate insists upon its non-concurrence in House amendment, No. 2, in regard to a school system, to Senate Bill, No. 34, entitled

A bill to amend the general incorporation laws of this State, and to retrench the expenses of legislation,

And asks the appointment of a committee of conference on said amendment.

The Senate has concurred in House Bill in lieu of Senate Bill, No. 85, entitled

A bill to relinquish the State interest in the Forked Deer Turnpike Road, to W. D. Scales and the other private stockholders of said road.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Brown, of Madison, Carlock,

and Hatton the Committee of Conference on the part of the House as requested by the Senate.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 7 o'clock, to-night.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

Mr. SPEAKER :

The Senate insists upon its non-concurrence in House amendment, No. 4, in relation to tolls on the Bean's Station Turnpike Road, to Senate Bill, No. 69, entitled

A bill to charter the Alexandria and Rome Turnpike Road,
And asks a committee of conference on said amendment.

The Senate has concurred in House amendments, Nos. 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 11, to Senate Bill, No. 95, entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the Edgefield Bucket and Broom Manufacturing Company ;

And has concurred in amendment, No. 10, to said bill, after amending the same ;

And has non-concurred in amendments, Nos. 2, 3, and 9,

And the same is herewith returned for the further consideration of the House.

The Senate has concurred in amendments, Nos. 1, 2, 4, and 5, to Senate Bill, No. 100, entitled

A bill to provide a remedy in favor of private claimants against the State of Tennessee ;

And has non-concurred in amendment, No. 3, to said bill.

And the same is returned for the further consideration of the House.

The Senate has amended and passed, on third reading, House Bill, No. 479, entitled

A bill to regulate the fees of the Clerk of the Supreme, Chancery Circuit, Criminal, and County Courts, Sheriffs, &c., &c.

And the same is herewith returned for further consideration.

The Senate has rejected House Bill, No. 433, entitled

A bill to repeal so much of an act passed January 27, 1854, as authorizes Blount county to levy a tax to pay interest, &c.

And the same is herewith returned.

The Speaker appointed, as a committee of conference on the part of the House of Representatives, as requested in the Senate's Message, Messrs. Carmichael, Kinney, and Armstrong.

On motion of Mr. Dortch,

Bill No. 64, to amend the Revenue Laws of the State, and to provide for a proper assessment,

Was taken up, and Senate amendment thereto concurred in.

Mr. Parks moved

To take up all Senate Messages not acted on.

The motion failed.

Senate Bill, No. 117, to amend the several acts chartering a turnpike road from Tazewell to Knoxville,

Passed third reading.

Senate Bill, No. 118, to amend the acts incorporating the town of Gallatin,

Was taken up.

Mr. Bartlett offered an amendment, extending the corporate limits of the city of Memphis.

Mr. Little offered an amendment, authorizing the Trustees of Dickson Academy, in Bedford county, to sell the same.

Mr. Bobo offered an amendment, extending the limits of the town of Camargo, in the county of Lincoln.

Mr. Newman offered an amendment, incorporating the town of Marble Hill, in Franklin county.

Mr. Myatt offered an amendment, incorporating the town of Huntsville, in Scott county.

Mr. Fielder offered an amendment, providing that nothing in the bill contained shall be so construed as to grant State aid or banking privileges.

The various amendments were adopted,

And the bill passed its third reading.

Senate Bill, No. 125, to provide for the gradual enlargement of the State Library, and for the custody of the same,

Was taken up.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, offered an amendment, providing for the compensation of the Public Printers.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Davie offered an amendment, providing for the increase of the salaries of the officers of the Bank of Tennessee, and Branches, and increasing the fees of Comptroller for signing coupon bonds.

Mr. Bullen moved

The House sustained the call.

The bill then passed its third reading, by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Carlock, Colquet, Cowden, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Little, Looney, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Rudd, Shemwell, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—39.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carmichael, Cavitt, Colburn, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Newman, Stovall, and Tipton—15.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	39
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15

A message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER:

The Speaker of the Senate has appointed as Committee of Conference, on behalf of the Senate, on House amendment to Senate Bill, No. 69, to charter the Alexandria and Rome Turnpike Company,

Messrs. Cocke and McFarland.

And on House amendment to Senate Bill, No. 34, to amend the general incorporation laws, &c.,

Messrs. Johnson and Rodgers.

The Senate has amended, and passed on third reading, House bills as follows:

No. 153, to authorize Sarah A. Prock to open a turnpike road.

No. 238, requiring sales of land and negroes to be advertised in a newspaper;

Having adopted a bill in lieu.

The same is returned for concurrence.

And has passed without amendment, House bills as follows, and the same are returned for enrollment:

No. 141, to amend the Common School Laws of this State.

No. 289, to furnish the officers of the counties of this State with copies of Nicholson and Caruthers' Compilation, &c., they are entitled to by law.

Senate Bill, No. 127, to authorize certain counties to take stock in railroads, and to issue bonds for the same,

Was taken up.

Mr. DeWitt offered an amendment, giving aid to the Nashville and Cincinnati Railroad Company, to assist in tunneling the gap of the ridge at Daniel O. Pursley's.

On the adoption of the amendment, Mr. DeWitt demanded the ayes and noes:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Cavitt, Carmichael, De-Witt, Donelson, Dunnington, Taylor, Temple, Watkins, and White—10.

Ay

Noes, - - - - - 40

amendment was rejected.

Hatton offered an amendment, granting State aid to the Illinois and Cincinnati Railroad Company, to enable them to cross Stone's River.

DeWitt demanded the ayes and noes, on the adoption of the amendment:

s—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Brien, Carlock, Carmichael, Dorch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, y, Massengill, Parks, Pogue, Rudd, Temple, Tipton, Tomp- Ward, Watkins, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—25.

s—Messrs. Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Harris, Kimble, Mabry, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, North-Shemwell, Stovall, Taylor, Thomas, Whiteside, Wilson of all, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—27.

Noes, - - - - - 27

amendment was rejected.

Holmes offered an amendment, authorizing the Memphis Ohio Railroad Company, in constructing the embankments from each side of the Big Hatchie River bridge, to sub-trestle-work for embankment through the bottom.

Newman moved

ay the amendment on the table.

Holmes demanded the ayes and noes :

s—Messrs. Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Don-
Fielder, Harris, Kimble, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt,
an, Ruda, Shemwell, Stovall, Tipton, Wilson of Marshall,
Wood of Cannon—20.

s—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien,
of Madison, Carmichael, Cowden, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch,
ngton, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Loo-
northeutt, Parks, Pogue, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins,
Watkins, White, Whiteside, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr.
er Brown—33.

Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	33
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The motion failed.

On the adoption of the amendment, Mr. Mathis demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Little, Looney, Massengill, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Rudd, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, White, Whiteside, and Mr. Speaker Brown—32.

Noes—Messrs. Brazelton, Bullen, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Dunnington, Fielder, Harris, Kimble, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Shemwell, Stovall, Tipton, Watkins, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—20.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Taylor entered a motion,

To reconsider the vote rejecting Mr. Hatton's amendment.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported on Bills, Nos. 191, 208, 313, 284, 227, 146, 306, 194, and 280, as correctly enrolled.

The following Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Senate has passed, on third reading, Senate Bill, No. 195, entitled

A bill to simplify an act passed 30th January, 1845, to exempt certain species of property from execution ;

And has amended and adopted House Resolution, No. 122½, relative to purchasing Ramsey's Annals of Tennessee.

And the same are transmitted for the consideration of the House of Representatives.

The Senate has passed, on third reading, House Bill, No. 273, entitled

A bill to amend the existing laws in this State, on the subject of killing wolves.

And the same is transmitted for enrollment.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 29, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported Bills, Nos. 226, 366, 289, and 406,

And Resolution, No. 171, as correctly enrolled.

Mr. Cavitt introduced Resolution, No. 174, as follows :

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be presented to ex-Gov. Neill S. Brown, for the able, impartial, and dignified manner in which he has presided over its deliberations, and performed the arduous and important duties, of the Chair.

On motion of Mr. Donelson,

The rule was suspended, and the resolution unanimously adopted.

On motion of Mr. Harris,

Senate bills on second reading were taken up.

Senate Bill, No. 220, to prohibit Sabbath breaking, was,

On motion of Mr. Pope,

Indefinitely postponed.

Senate Bill, No. 217, to regulate the agencies of insurance companies not incorporated by the State of Tennessee,

Passed second reading.

Mr. Nixon, by leave of the House, introduced Resolution, No. 175, as follows :

Resolved, That the thanks of this House are hereby tendered to A. E. Drapier, Reporter for the Union and American; John Miller McKee, Reporter for the Patriot; and Thomas H. Glenn, Reporter for the Gazette; for the able and impartial manner in which they have reported the proceedings of this House.

On motion, the rule was suspended, and the resolution unanimously adopted.

Senate Bill, No. 206, to regulate the transfer of State aid from one company to another,

Was taken up.

Mr. Holmes obtained leave to withdraw

Bill No. 427, to regulate the grades of railroads, in this State, entitled to State aid,

And offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, passed second reading.

Mr. Looney, by leave of the House, called up Resolution, No. 145, heretofore introduced by himself, in relation to the Kansas and Nebraska bill.

Mr. Dunnington offered in lieu the following :

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That Congress has no power, to legislate slavery into any Territory, or State, nor to exclude it therefrom; but that the people thereof should be left free to form and regulate their domestic institutions

in their own way, subject only to the Constitution of the United States, yet Congress may pass such laws as are necessary, and proper for the restoration of fugitives from service.

Resolved, That the legislative power of a territorial Government extends to all rightful subjects of legislation consistent with the constitution and the provisions of the act organizing said government, and a departure therefrom upon the part of a territorial government will form a subject for judicial, and not legislative action.

Resolved, That in our opinion the Kansas and Nebraska bill does not carry with it, or establish any of the odious principles contained in the Wilmot Proviso, or embrace any species of radicalism inimical to the institutions of the South, or at war with the spirit of our government; but on the contrary is an extension of the principles of the Compromise measures of 1850, and should be adhered to and carried out in good faith by the North and the South.

Resolved, That the Kansas and Nebraska Act, contains no provision that permits aliens to enjoy in the territories the rights of native born citizens, either by the exercise of suffrage, or by the acquisition of a homestead upon the public domain, but said act simply declares, that every free white male inhabitant above the age of twenty-one years, who shall be actual resident of said territory, and shall possess the qualifications hereinafter prescribed, shall be entitled to vote at the first election and shall be eligible to any office within the said territory; but the qualifications of voters and of holding office, at all subsequent elections shall be such as shall be prescribed by the legislative assembly: Provided that the right of suffrage, and of holding office, shall be exercised only by citizens of the United States, and those who shall have declared, on oath, their intention to become such, and shall have taken an oath to support the Constitution of the United States and the provisions of this act.

Resolved, That we most cordially endorse the course of our members in Congress in voting for the Kansas and Nebraska Bill.

Mr. Tipton called the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

Mr. Nixon moved

A reconsideration of the vote sustaining the call.

The House reconsidered the vote.

Mr. Nixon called for the previous question on the adoption of the resolution of Mr. Dunnington in lieu.

The House sustained the call.

On the adoption of the resolution in lieu, the vote was as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquett, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—33.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazleton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carmichael, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Rudd, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—29.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	33
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	29

Mr. Bobo at first voted in the negative, but on motion of Mr. Gleaves, was allowed to change.

The resolution of Mr. Dunnington, was adopted in lieu.

Mr. Dortch then obtained leave to withdraw Mr. Looney's resolution.

On the final adoption of Mr. Dunnington's resolution, Mr. Donelson demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes.—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brien, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—33.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carmichael, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Looney, Parks, Pogue, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—26.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	33
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	26

The resolution, was adopted.

Mr. Dortch, re-introduced the resolution of Mr. Looney.

Upon the adoption of which the vote was as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carmichael, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Looney, Parks, Pogue, Snodgrass, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—27.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—32.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	27
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	32

The resolution was rejected.

Mr. Holmes moved

To take up Resolution No. 172, in relation to a committee to investigate the official conduct of the Penitentiary Inspectors.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Dortch moved

A concurrence in Senate amendment to the same, authorizing the committee to send for, and examine the Inspectors themselves, touching the management of that Institution.

Mr. Dunnington demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carmichael, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Snodgrass, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—28.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Tipton, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—34.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34

The motion failed.

Mr. Galbreath introduced Resolution, No. 176, as follows :

Resolved, That the thanks of this House are due, and are hereby tendered, to R. F. Braden, Principal Doorkeeper, and to Anderson Hill, his Assistant, for the gentlemanly and courteous manner in which they have waited upon this House in the discharge of their respective duties.

On motion, the rule was suspended.

Mr. Brien called for a division of the question.

The question then being submitted first as to Mr. Braden, and then as to Mr. Hill,

Both branches of the resolution were adopted.

The following report was submitted by Mr. Hatton :

The Committee on the part of the House, appointed to confer with a Committee of the Senate in reference to the disagreement of the two Houses upon amendment, No. 2, to House Bill, No. 34, have met the Senate's Committee, and have directed me to report that there is no prospect of obtaining the concurrence of the Senate in said amendment. They, therefore, are of opinion that the House should recede from said amendment, which they respectfully recommend.

R. HATTON,
Chairman Committee of House.

On motion of Mr. Brown, of Madison,

The report of the Committee was concurred in, and the House recessed.

On motion of Mr. Brown, of Madison,
Bill, No. 479, to regulate and define the fees of the Clerks of the Supreme, Chancery, Circuit, Criminal, and County Courts, Sheriffs, Coroners, Constables, Justices of the Peace, Jailors, Surveyors, Notaries Public, and Sealer of Weights and Measures, and for other purposes,

Was taken up, and Senate amendments thereto were concurred in.

Mr. Rudd introduced Resolution, No. 177, by leave of the House, as follows :

Resolved, That the thanks of this House are hereby tendered to W. V. Thompson, for the efficient manner in which he has discharged the duties of the office of First Assistant Clerk of this House.

Mr. Cavitt called the previous question on the resolution.
The House refused to sustain the call.

On motion of Mr. Cowden,
The names of Duncan R. Claiborne and Frank. S. Hale were included in the resolution, according to their grades as Clerks.

The resolution, as amended, was adopted.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Senate has acted on House amendments to Senate Bill, No. 189, entitled

A bill to charter the Duck River Valley Railroad Company, as follows :

No. 1, first two sections concurred in, and third section non-concurred in.

No. 2, amended and concurred in.

And the same are herewith returned for the further consideration of the House of Representatives.

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts as follows, and the same are herewith transmitted for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

An act to authorize the construction of a railroad from the town of Shelbyville to the line of the State of Alabama, via Lewisburg, in the county of Marshall, and Pulaski, in the county of Giles.

An act for the sale of the stock owned by the State in the Union and Planters' Bank, and for other purposes.

An act to amend the criminal laws of this State, and for other purposes.

An act authorizing the County Court of Gibson county, to sell the State's interest in the Forked Deer Turnpike Company.

Senate Bill, No. 80, to regulate weights and measures in this State,

Passed second reading.

Senate Bill, No. 212, to give defendants justice in State prosecutions,

Passed second reading.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Senate has rejected House Bill, No. 109, entitled

A bill to define the duties of overseers, and for other purposes.

And has passed, on third reading, House Bill, No. 480, entitled

A bill to provide for the future management of the State Hospital, and for other purposes.

And the same is returned for enrollment.

The Senate has non-concurred in amendment, No. 1, extending the corporate limits of the city of Memphis, to Senate Bill, No. 118, to amend the charter of the city of Gallatin, &c.

And concurred in the other five amendments.

And the same is herewith returned for further consideration.

On motion of Mr. Looney,

Senate Messages, not acted on, were taken up.

House Bill, No. 288, to exempt certain articles from execution, and for other purposes,

Was taken up, and the House receded from its non-concurrence in Senate amendment, No. 5.

Senate Bill, No. 194, for the benefit of James Mitchell,

Was taken up, and the House receded from its amendment, No. 1, for the benefit of Larkin Carden.

Senate Bill, No. 77, to amend the charter of the United Firemen's Insurance Company of Nashville, passed 25th February, 1852,

Was taken up, and Senate amendments to House amendments to the same were concurred in.

Senate Bill, No. 189, to charter the Duck River Valley Railroad Company,

Was taken up, and Senate amendments to House amendments to the same were concurred in, on motion of Mr. Looney.

Senate Bill, No. 174, to change the time of holding the Circuit Court at Manchester, Coffee county,

Was taken up, and Senate amendments to House amendments to the same were concurred in, on motion of Mr. Nixon.

Senate Bill, No. 4, to repeal section three of the act of 1853, chap. 72,

Was taken up.

Mr. Dortch moved

To recede from the House amendment, providing for the payment by the State of all costs when a defendant in any prosecution, is acquitted.

Mr. Parks demanded the ayes and noes on the motion :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Brien, Bullen, Carmichael, Dortch, Dunnington, Harris, Kinney, Looney, Mathis, Newman, Northcutt, Richey, Tipton, and Wilson of Marshall—15.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, Cox, Davie, DeWitt, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Hatton, Kimble, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—40.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40

The House refused to recede.

On motion of Mr. Stovall,

The House insisted on its amendment.

House Bill, No. 43, to guard against accidents upon railroads, and to protect the lives and property of the citizens,

Was taken up, and Senate amendments thereto were,

On motion of Mr. Hatton,

Concurred in.

Senate Bill, No. 95, to amend the charter of the Edgefield Bucket and Broom Manufacturing Company, passed February 21, 1852,

Was taken up.

The House concurred in Senate amendment to House amendment in relation to the Emery Transportation and Manufacturing Company.

The House receded from its amendment, No. 9.

On motion of Mr. Cavitt,

The House insisted on its amendment in relation to the cause of Temperance in Scott county.

On motion of Mr. White,

The House insisted on its amendment, No. 3, in relation to building a dam and fish trap in Holston River.

House Resolution, No. 122½, in relation to the purchase of Ramsey's Annals of Tennessee,

Was taken up, and Senate amendment to the same concurred in.

House Bill, No. 238, requiring the sale of lands or slaves to be advertised in a newspaper, was,

On motion of Mr. Bullen,

Laid on the table.

Senate Bill, No. 100, to provide a remedy in favor of individuals against the State of Tennessee,

Was taken up.

Mr. Welcker moved

That the House insist on its amendment, No. 3, to said bill, regulating the duties of trustees and assignees.

The motion prevailed, and the House insisted.

House Bill, No. 153, to authorize Sarah A. Prock to open a turnpike road,

Was taken up, and Senate amendments to the same were concurred in.

Senate Bill, No. 118, to amend the acts incorporating the town of Gallatin, in the county of Sumner,

Was taken up, and the House receded from its amendment to the same, extending the corporate limits of the town of Memphis.

Mr. Harris moved

To reconsider the vote insisting on House amendment to Senate Bill, No. 100, to provide a remedy in favor of private individuals against the State of Tennessee, which defines the duties of trustees and assignees.

The House reconsidered the vote.

Senate Resolution, No. 93, relative to school lands in White and other counties,

Was adopted.

Mr. Tipton moved

To recede from House amendment to Senate Bill, No. 100, in relation to the duties of trustees and assignees.

The House refused to recede.

On motion of Mr. Welcker,

The House again insisted on its amendment.

Senate Bill, No. 215, for the benefit of the Penitentiary of the State,

Was taken up,

Mr. Hatton moved

To recede from House amendment to said bill, striking out the 5th section of the bill.

Mr. Nixon demanded the ayes and noes on the motion :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carmichael, Cox, Davie, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Looney, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Snodgrass, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—25.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Dunnington, Galbreath, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Tipton, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Wood of Cannon—29.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29

On motion of Mr. Smith,

The House then insisted on its amendment.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts as follows, and the same have been deposited with the Secretary of State :

An act to amend the act of 1853-4, chapter 181, to alter the line between Knox and Jefferson counties, and to alter the county line between the counties of Coffee and Grundy.

To amend the act of 1825, chapter 56, to provide for the election of Justices of the Peace in the town of Rome, to elect an additional Justice of the Peace in the town of Flynn's Lick, and to change the boundary of the corporation of the town of Woodbury.

To protect the lay members of all ecclesiastical denominations against the domination of the clergy.

To amend an act passed January 31, 1854, entitled

An act to charter the Carthage, Alexandria, and Red Sulphur Springs Turnpike Company ; to amend the charter of the Franklin and Lewisburg Turnpike Company ; for the benefit of the corporation of the town of Kingston, and amendatory thereto.

To amend an act passed 19th January, 1848, entitled

An act passed 16th December, 1837, entitled An act to incorporate the Oak Grove Academy, in the county of Bradley ; and also for the benefit of the Somerville Model School, and for other purposes.

An act to incorporate the Cumberland Manufacturing Company ; the Somerville Cotton Factory, and Manufacturing and Flouring Mills ; the Chickasaw Golden Leaf Tobacco Manufacturing Company ; the Phoenix Mining and Manufacturing Company ; the Anderson Mining and Manufacturing Company ; the Tennessee Lite-

rary Society ; the Frankland Mining, Smelting, and Manufacturing Company ; and to amend the charter of the Murfreesboro Gas Light Company.

To amend the 22d section of an act entitled

An act to incorporate the Mechanics' Library Association of Fayetteville, and to reduce the several acts incorporating the town of Jackson into one, and to amend the same, passed March 2, 1854 ; for the benefit of the Stone's River Turnpike Company ; to allow M. M. Brien to erect and build a fish-trap and dam in the Caney Fork River, in DeKalb county ; to authorize J. G. Whitney, of Anderson county, and others, to open and establish a turnpike road, &c.

To incorporate Collierville Female College, in Shelby county ; to incorporate the Winchester Male and Female Academy ; to incorporate the Sequatchee Valley Academy ; to incorporate the Philosophic Institute ; for the benefit of the County Academy, in Putnam county ; to incorporate Trustees Morning Sun Academy ; to divide the fund of Sam Houston Male Academy, in the county of Marion, with the Jasper Female Institute ; to incorporate Eureka Insurance Company, of Nashville ; to incorporate a Female College in Spencer, in the county of Van Buren.

To amend an act entitled

An act for the benefit of the wives and widows of the soldiers of the Mexican war.

For the benefit of sureties and endorsers.

For the benefit of the heirs and devisees of M. Jules Godeau d'Eutrigues, and Madame Agathe Garand d'Eutrigues.

To furnish the officers of the counties in this State with copies of Nicholson and Caruthers' Compilation, and Nicholson's Supplement of the Statutes of this State, and Acts of Legislature, they are entitled to by existing laws.

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts with the following titles, and the same are herewith transmitted for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

An act to amend an act entitled

An act to incorporate the Mississippi River Levee Company, the Forked Deer and Obion River Levee Company, and for other purposes.

To amend the charter of the Atlantic, Tennessee, and Ohio Railroad Company.

To provide an annual sum for the support and maintenance of the Institution for the education of the deaf and dumb, at Knoxville.

To change the line between the counties of White and Putnam, and for other purposes.

To provide for the completion of the Capitol, and for other purposes.

The Senate has amended and concurred in House amendment to Senate Bill, No. 109, entitled

A bill to incorporate the Ashport and Ripley Plankroad Company.

And the same is hereby returned for the further consideration of the House of Representatives.

To charter the Knoxville Bridge Co.; to amend the charter of the Broyles and Henshaw Bridge Company; to incorporate Salem Academy; to amend the charter of the Harrison and Gardner Turnpike Company; to incorporate the Hartsville Female Institute; to amend the charter of the Memphis and Covington Turnpike and Plankroad Company; for the benefit of Stewart College; to amend the charter of the Lebanon and Trousdale Ferry Turnpike Company; to amend the charter of the McMinnville and Chattanooga Turnpike Company; to charter the Gainsboro and Defeated Creek Turnpike Company; to amend the charter of the Shelbyville, Farmington, and Lewisburg Turnpike Company; to amend the fourth section of an act passed the 16th day of November, 1855, to amend the charter of the Nashville and North-Western Railroad Company; and to amend an act entitled An act to incorporate the Montgomery Turnpike Company, passed January 25, 1848. Also, a resolution providing for the distribution of the reports of the State Geologist, &c.

The Speaker appointed, as Commissioners on the part of the House, under the law to purchase fair grounds, Messrs. Dortch, Donelson, and Armstrong.

The Joint Committee of Conference, upon the disagreeing votes of the two Houses upon House amendment, No. 4, to Senate Bill, No. 69, to charter the Alexandria and Roane Turnpike Company, unanimously recommended the adoption of an amendment in lieu.

On motion of Mr. Dortch,

The report was concurred in.

Senate Bill, No. 109, to incorporate the Ashport and Ripley Turnpike Company,

Was taken up, and Senate amendment to House amendment to the same concurred in.

Mr. Harris moved

A reconsideration of the vote laying House Bill, No. 238, requiring the sale of lands or slaves to be advertised in a newspaper, on the table.

The House reconsidered the vote.

The bill in lieu, adopted in the Senate, was then concurred in, on motion of Mr. Dortch.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate adheres to its non-concurrence to House amendment (striking out the fifth section) to Senate Bill, No. 215, entitled

A bill for the benefit of the Penitentiary of this State,

And asks a Committee of Conference on said bill.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Newman, Nixon, and Holmes, as a Committee of Conference, as requested in the Message.

Senate Bill, No. 127, to authorize certain counties to take stock in railroads, and to issue the bonds of said counties for the same, and the various amendments thereto,

Were taken up.

The first question submitted was,

On the motion of Mr. Taylor, to reconsider the vote rejecting the amendment offered by Mr. Hatton to said bill.

The House reconsidered the vote rejecting said amendment.

The bill was then,

On motion of Mr. Stovall,

Passed over informally.

Bill No. 93, to amend the revenue laws, was,

On motion of Mr. Dortch,

Indefinitely postponed.

Senate Bill, No. 110, to regulate the pay of the Messengers of the Senate,

Was, on motion of Mr. Harris,

Indefinitely postponed.

Senate Bill, No. 128, to protect widows and orphans,

Was taken up.

Mr. Ball offered an amendment authorizing guardians to collect compound interest on all notes made payable to them in their fiduciary capacity, when the notes are not renewed annually.

Mr. Stovall moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

The motion failed.

On the adoption of the amendment, Mr. Meek demanded the ayes and noes:

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Galbreath, Hatton, Kimble, Looney, Massengill, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Richey, Shemwell, Thomas, Tompkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—28.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazleton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Cowden, Davie, Dunnington, Fort, Gleaves, Harris, Holmes, Kinney, Mabry, Mathis, Meek, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Stovall, Temple, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—25.

Ayes, - - - - - 28.

Noes. - - - - - 25.

The amendment was adopted.

On the passage of the bill, Mr. Parks called for a division of the question.

On the passage of the Senate Bill, the vote was as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves

Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Rudd, Shemwell, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—40.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brazleton, Harris, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Northcutt, Pogue, Pope, Welcker, and Wood of Hardeman—11.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40.
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11.

The bill passed third reading.

On the passage of Mr. Ball's amendment, the vote was as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Donelson, Galbreath, Myatt, Newman, Northcutt, Shemwell, Tompkins, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—14.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Davie, Dortch, Fielder, Fort, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—38.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14.
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	38.

The amendment was rejected.

Mr. Bullen obtained leave to introduce Resolution No. 178, directory to the Attorney General of the State, in relation to the appropriation made to John G. Brazleton.

Mr. Cavitt moved

A suspension of the rule.

The House refused to suspend.

The House then resumed the consideration of

Senate Bill, No. 127, to authorize certain counties, to take stock in Railroads, and to issue the bonds of said counties for the same, and

Mr. Hatton's amendment to the same.

Mr. Galbreath demanded the ayes and noes on the adoption of Mr. Hatton's amendment :

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Snodgrass, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, Welcker, White and Mr. Speaker Brown—27.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Bullen, Cavitt, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Kimble, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—27.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	27
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	27

The amendment was rejected.

Mr. Hatton moved

To permit Mr. Algee to change his vote.

Mr. Tipton moved

To lay the whole subject on the table.

Mr. Galbreath demanded the ayes and noes :

Ayes—Messrs. Bullen, Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbrath, Harris, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Tipton, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—23.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Colburn, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Rudd, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Welcker, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—32.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	23
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	32

The motion failed.

Mr. Galbreath demanded the ayes and noes, on the motion to permit Mr. Algee, to change his vote on Mr. Hatton's amendment :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Burch, Carlock, Colburn, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Rudd, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Welcker, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—29.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Bullen, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Shemwell, Stovall, Tipton, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—25.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	28
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	25

The motion prevailed, and permission was granted.

Mr. Algee then voted in the affirmative ; and

Mr. Dunnington was permitted to record his vote on said amendment, as he was absent when the vote was taken.

Mr. Carmichael obtained leave to change his vote on the adoption of said amendment.

The result of the vote on the adoption of said amendment was—

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	29
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	28

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Dortch called for the previous question on the bill.

The House sustained the call.

The bill was then rejected by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Brien, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Colburn, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Tipton, Tompkins, Welcker, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—26.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Kimble, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—29.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29

Mr. Hatton moved

To permit Mr. Pope to vote on the passage of the bill—he having been without the bar of the House when his name was called.

The House refused to grant the permission.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has concurred in the report of the Committee of Conference on House amendment to Senate Bill, No. 69, entitled

A bill to charter the Alexandria and Rome Turnpike Company.

The Senate has concurred in House amendment, No. 1, to Senate Bill, No. 125, to provide for the gradual enlargement of the Library of the State, and for the custody of the same.

And has amended and concurred in House amendment, No. 2, to said bill.

And the same is herewith returned for further concurrence.

The Speaker of the Senate has appointed Messrs. Johnson and Sheid as a Committee of Conference on the difference between the two Houses on Senate Bill, No. 215, for the benefit of the Penitentiary.

Senate Bill, No. 131, to amend the criminal laws of this State, in relation to slaves,

Was taken up.

Mr. Mathis moved

To strike out the section providing for the act to take effect from and after its passage.

Mr. Davie moved

To amend, by providing that where the owner of any slave shall "run" him, then the owner shall be liable to all damages resulting from the crime of his slave.

Mr. Brien moved

To lay the bill on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Senate Bill, No. 140, to regulate the distribution of the estates of intestates, was,

On motion of Mr. Tipton,
Indefinitely postponed.

Senate Bill, No. 152, to amend the charter of the Gallatin Turnpike Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Hatton obtained leave to withdraw Bill, No. 482, to charter the Huntingdon and Rockport Turnpike Company, and offered it as an amendment to the bill under consideration.

Mr. Looney offered an amendment, incorporating the Williamson County Steam Mill and Manufacturing Company.

Mr. Myatt offered an amendment, exempting the citizens of the counties of Fentress, Morgan, and Cumberland, from paying toll on roads running through said counties.

The amendments, except that of Mr. Myatt, were adopted, and the bill passed third reading.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported Resolution, No. 145, as correctly engrossed, and Bills, Nos. 84, 141, 186½, and 273, and Resolution, No. 168, as correctly enrolled.

Mr. Newman, from the Committee of Conference on Senate Bill, No. 215, for the benefit of the Penitentiary of the State, with the recommendation of a majority of said committee that the House recede from its amendment, striking out the fifth section.

Mr. Newman moved

That the House recede, as recommended by the Committee.

Mr. Nixon demanded the ayes and noes:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Carmichael, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Kimble, Looney, Newman, Parks, Pogue, Richey, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—25.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Holmes, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Pope, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Tipton, Whiteside, and Wood of Cannon—29.

Ayes, - - - - - 25

Noes, - - - - - 29

The motion failed.

Mr. Stovall entered a motion to reconsider the vote refusing to recede.

Senate Bill, No. 144, for the benefit of Huntsville Academy, in Scott county,

Passed third reading.

Senate Bill, No. 145, for the benefit of children in fractional townships, where any township is divided by county lines,

Passed third reading by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Cowden, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Welcker, White, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—48.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Brien, Cavitt, Colquet, Mabry, Meek, Ward, and Whiteside—8.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	43
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Senate has receded from its non-concurrence in House amendment, No. 3, to regulate the duties of trustees and assignees to Senate Bill, No. 100, entitled

A bill to provide a remedy in favor of private individuals against the State of Tennessee,

And has concurred in said amendment.

The Senate has also receded from its non concurrence in House amendments, No. 1, for the promotion of temperance in Scott county, and No. 2, to authorize a dam and fish trap across the Holston, to Senate Bill, No. 95, entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the Edgefield Bucket and Broom Manufacturing Company.

The Senate has adopted House Resolution, No. 165, providing for a committee to wait upon His Excellency, the Governor.

The Senate adheres to its non-concurrence in House amendment to Senate Bill, No. 4,

A bill to repeal section 3 of an act of 1853, chapter 72,

And asks a committee of conference on said amendments.

And the bill and amendment are herewith returned.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Parks, Dunnington, and Brazelton, as a committee of conference as requested in the message.

Senate Bill, No. 146, to amend the act passed 11th February, 1852, entitled

An act to establish a system of Internal Improvements in this State,

Was taken up.

Mr. Holmes offered an amendment authorizing the Memphis and Ohio Railroad Company to use trestle-work instead of embankment in bridging Big Hatchie.

Mr. Cavitt moved

To amend the amendment so as to include the Nashville and North-Western Railroad Company ;

Which Mr. Holmes accepted.

Mr. Newman moved

To amend by extending the provisions of the amendment to all the railroad companies in the State, on rivers, to bridge which they are entitled to State aid.

Mr. Dunnington moved

So to amend the amendment as to provide that the trestle work shall not exceed one hundred yards in length ;

Which Mr. Holmes accepted.

Mr. Bullen moved

To lay the amendment of Mr. Holmes on the table.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Meek offered an amendment authorizing the counties of Jefferson, Grainger, Cocke and Hancock to take stock in railroad companies.

The amendment was adopted, and the bill passed third reading.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Mathis, Algee, and Bullen as a committee to wait upon the Governor and inform him that this General Assembly will adjourn *sine die* on Monday, the 3d day of March next.

Senate Bill, No. 147, for the benefit of the citizens of Columbia, and for other purposes,

Passed third reading.

Senate Bill, No. 148, to incorporate the Fulton Plank Road Company,

Passed third reading.

Senate Bill, No. 155, to change the name of Mossy Creek Missionary Baptist Seminary in Jefferson county, to the name of Mossy Creek Baptist College,

Passed third reading.

Senate Bill, No. 157, for the benefit of Kinsloe and Brother,

Passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Colburn, Cowden, Davie, DeWitt, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, *Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—48.

Noes—Messrs. Carmichael and Colquet—2.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	48
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER:

The Senate has non-concurred in House amendment regulating the pay of the Principal Clerks of the Senate and House of Representatives for copying the unfinished journals, to Senate Bill, No. 222, entitled

A bill to defray the expenses of the General Assembly,
And has amended House amendment for the benefit of boy George,

And has adopted additional amendments for the benefit of Mrs. Pavatt and Christopher Hitch;

And the said bill and amendments are returned for the further consideration of the House of Representatives.

Senate Bill, No. 162, to charter the Flat Creek Female Academy in Bedford county, &c.,

Was taken up and passed third reading.

Mr. Nixon called up the motion entered to reconsider the vote refusing to recede from House amendment to Senate Bill, No. 215, for the benefit of the Penitentiary of the State.

The House reconsidered the vote refusing to recede.

On motion of Mr. Stovall,

The bill and amendments were recommitted to the Committee of Conference.

Senate Bill, No. 165, to legalize the official acts of certain Justices of the Peace,

Was taken up.

Mr. Tipton offered an amendment, legalizing the official acts of Justices of the Peace, whose district may be changed by the formation of new districts.

Mr. DeWitt moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

The motion failed.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Brien offered an amendment, explanatory of the act passed the present General Assembly, repealing the Tippling Law.

The amendment was adopted.

On the passage of the bill, Mr. Parks called for a division of the question.

The question was then submitted on the original bill;

And it passed its third reading, by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Shemwell, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—49.

Noes—Mr.——, —1.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	49
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1

On the passage of the amendments, the vote was as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Carmichael, Colburn, Cowden, Davie, DeWitt, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Pogue, Shemwell, Smith, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, White-side, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—44.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Bullen, Cavitt, Colquet, Mathis, Parks, and Stovall—9.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	44
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9

The bill passed its third reading.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 7 o'clock, to-night.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Senate Bill, No. 166, to incorporate the Manchester College,
Was taken up.

Mr. White offered an amendment, incorporating the Knoxville Real Estate and Loan Company.

Mr. Brown, of Madison, offered an amendment, amendatory of Estanaula Turnpike Company.

The amendments were adopted,
And the bill passed its third reading.

Senate Bill, No. 173, to extend the corporate limits of Vernon,
Passed its third reading.

Senate Bill, No. 179, to incorporate the Rockford Manufacturing Company,

Was taken up.

Mr. Speaker Brown offered an amendment, amendatory of the charter of the Citizens' Coal Company, of Nashville.

The amendment was adopted,

And the bill passed its third reading.

Senate Bill, No. 176, to extend further time to C. F. Welcker, W. S. Centre, and A. Adkisson, to construct a turnpike road.

Passed its third reading.

Senate Bill, No. 191, to change the county lines between Campbell and Scott,

Was taken up.

Mr. Myatt offered an amendment, permanently establishing the county lines of Morgan, Fentress, and Scott, and for other purposes:

The amendment was adopted,

And the bill passed its third reading.

Senate Bill, No. 198, to amend the charter of the Nashville and Cincinnati Railroad Company, and the acts amendatory thereto,

Was taken up.

Mr. Fort offered an amendment, for the benefit of the Edgefield and Kentucky Railroad Company.

The amendment was adopted,

And the bill, as amended, passed its third reading.

Senate Bill, No. 167, to regulate the fees of Attorneys General in certain cases,

Was taken up

Mr. Parks moved

Its indefinite postponement.

Mr. Dortch called the previous question on the motion.

The House sustained the call.

Mr. Bullen demanded the ayes and noes on the motion:

Ayes—Messrs. Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Colburn, Cowden, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fort, Gleaves, Kimble, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Shemwell, Taylor, Temple, Tompkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—26.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bullen, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Northcutt, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Welcker, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—28.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26
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Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28
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The House refused to postpone indefinitely.

Mr. Kinney called for the previous question on the passage of the bill.

The House sustained the call.

The bill was then rejected by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Carmichael, Colquet, Donelson,

Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Hatton, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Northcutt, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Welcker, Whiteside, and Mr. Speaker Brown—27.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colburn, Cowden, Davie, Dortch, Dunnington, Fort, Gleaves, Holmes, Kimble, Meek, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Taylor, Tompkins, White, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—29.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29

Mr. Brown, of Madison, by leave of the House, presented a petition from sundry citizens of Madison county, praying for the removal of the precinct at Mount Pinson in said county.

The petition, on motion of Mr. Stovall, was laid on the table.

Senate Bill, No. 169, to authorize Justices of the Peace to take bonds and recognizances for the appearance of defendants in State prosecutions before themselves,

Was, on motion of Mr. Brien, indefinitely postponed.

Senate Bill, No. 177, to confer certain powers on the Surveyors of the respective counties of this State,

Passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bartlett, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Colquet, Cowden, Davie, Donelson, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—40.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Brazelton, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colburn, Dortch, Kimble, Meek, Parks, Stovall, Taylor, and Temple—12.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12

Mr. Wilson, of Marshall, moved

To suspend the regular order of business, that the Speaker might present to Mr. Anderson Hill the spectacles which, by contribution of the members of the House had been purchased for him.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Hill acknowledged the compliment in fit and appropriate terms.

The business of the House was then resumed.

Senate Bill, No. 182, for the benefit of the Commissioners of the East Tennessee Fair,

Was taken up.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, offered an amendment, repealing the act, which provides that the Secretary of State shall perform the

duties of Internal Improvement Commissioner, and making it the duty of the Railroad Commissioner to perform the said duties.

Mr Hatton moved

To lay the amendment on the table.

Upon which motion, Mr. Galbreath demanded the ayes and noes:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colburn, Davie, Dortch, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Looney, Newman, Parks, Pogue, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—27.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Bullen, Carlock, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Kimble, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Nixon, Northcutt, Richey, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—27.

Ayes, - - - - - 27

Noes, - - - - - 27

The motion to lay the amendment on the table failed.

Mr. Brown, of Davidson, (Mr. Bartlett in the chair,) offered an amendment to the amendment of Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, providing that in future the salary of the Secretary of State should be fifteen hundred dollars besides his fees of office.

Mr. Stovall moved

To strike out of Mr. Brown's amendment "fifteen," and insert "thirteen."

Mr. Wood of Hardeman, by leave of the House, after some discussion, withdrew his amendment.

Mr. Holmes offered an amendment, providing that the Judge of the Common Law Court at Memphis to issued a venire for twenty-four jurors for each term.

Mr. Parks offered an amendment giving the Academy fund of Gibson county to Andrew College.

The amendments were adopted, and the bill passed third reading.

Senate Bill, No. 193, to provide for the payment of costs in prosecutions against slaves, was taken up.

Mr. Thomas offered an amendment, allowing persons summoned on a special venire one dollar per day, when they are detained over one day, whether they are chosen as jurors or not.

Mr. Galbreath offered an amendment, allowing all jurors a dollar and a quarter per day.

Mr. Thomas's amendment was adopted.

Mr. Mathis called for the previous question.

The House sustained the call.

The bill then passed third reading by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carmichael, Cowden, Davie, Dortch, Fielder, Gleaves, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Mathis, Myatt, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Shemwell, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker,

White, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—33.

Noes—Messrs. Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquett, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Harris, Hatton, Massengill, Newman, Nixon, Richey, Tipton, Wilson of Marshall—18.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18

On motion of Mr. Looney,
Senate Bill, No. 222, to defray the expenses of the General Assembly,

Was taken up.

Mr. Armstrong moved

A non-concurrence in Senate's amendment to House amendment in relation to the pay of George, for waiting upon the House of Representatives.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Bullen moved

That the House, adhere to its amendment in relation to the fees of the Clerks, for copying the Journal, and demanded the ayes and noes, on the motion :

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Cavitt, Colquett, Galbreath, Harris, Massengill, Mathis, Parks, Shemwell, Taylor, Tompkins and Wilson of Marshall—14.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Cowden, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Gleaves, Hatton Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Richey, Stovall, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—38.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	38

The motion failed, and the House refused to adhere.

On motion of Mr. Dortch, the House then receded from the amendment.

Mr. Stovall moved

A reconsideration of the vote, non-concurring in Senate amendment, in relation to the pay of George.

Mr. Speaker Brown, (Mr. Bartlett in the chair,) called the previous question on the motion.

The House sustained the call.

Mr. Temple demanded the ayes and noes, on the motion :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bartlett, Brazelton, Brien, Carlock, Colquett, Cowden, Donelson, Dortch, Fielder, Galbreath, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Nixon, Parks, Richey, Shemwell, Stovall, Taylor, Thomas, Tipton, Welcker,

er, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—31.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Brown of Madison, Bul-
len, Burch, Cavitt, Carmichael, Davie, Dunnington, Fort, Gleaves
Kinney, Looney, Myatt, Newman, Temple, Tompkins, Ward,
White, Whiteside, and Wood of Cannon—22.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22

The House reconsidered the vote.

Mr. Tipton moved

To concur in Senate amendments, in relation to George's pay.

The House refused to concur.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their
Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :—

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts as follows,
and the same have been deposited with the Secretary of State :

To amend the existing laws, in this State, on the subject of kill-
ing wolves.

To amend the practice in the Chancery Courts.

To amend the Common School Laws of this State.

To charter the Knoxville, Sevierville, and Paint Rock Railroad
Company.

And enrolled resolution,

Providing for the distribution of the reports of the State Geolo-
gist.

The Speaker of the Senate has appointed Messrs. Atkins, Dean
and Ellis, as committee on the part of the Senate to wait upon the
Governor ; and Messrs. Carter and Rogers as Senate Conference
Committee, on House amendment to Senate Bill, No. 4, entitled

A bill to repeal section 3, of the act of 1853, chapter 72.

The amendment of the Senate, in relation to Mr. Hitch, and the
widow of Felix J. Pavatt, was concurred in.

Mr. Dortch offered an amendment, appropriating forty dollars to
pay for extra Clerk hire.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Temple offered an amendment, appropriating two dollars
and a half, to pay for a couple of foot mats.

The amendments was adopted,

Mr Armstrong offered an amendment, providing for the pur-
chase of copies of Ramsey's Annals of Tennessee.

The amendment was adopted, and the bill was ordered to be
transmitted at once to the Senate.

A Message was received from the Senate by Mr. Walker their
Clerk as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : —

The Senate have amended and passed House Bills as follows :

No. 369, to amend an act entitled An act to change the manner of keeping up the public roads, &c.

No. 407, for the benefit of Lizzy, Bob, and others.

No. 388, to amend an act entitled An act better to secure the rights of tobacco planters.

No. 370, to incorporate Gayoso Savings Institution, and Chattanooga Savings Institution.

No. 310, to amend the charter of the South Carolina, Tennessee and Kentucky Railroad Company.

No. 361, to amend the act of 1811, chapter 76.

And the same are returned for further consideration.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported Bills, Nos. 238, 54, and 480,

And Resolutions, Nos. 122½, and 161, as correctly enrolled.

Senate Bill, No. 197, defining the duties of the Commissioner of Roads,

Passed third reading by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Davie, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Richey, Shemwell, Stovall, Taylor, Temple, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—51.

Noes—Mr. Burch—1

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	51
Noes,	.	-	-	.	-	1

Senate Bill, No. 196, to provide for paying Magistrates for their services at Quarterly Courts, was,

On motion of Mr. Dunnington,

Indefinitely postponed.

Senate Bill, 202, to establish the town of Centreville as a common school district, &c.,

Was taken up:

Mr. Brien demanded the ayes and noes on the passage of the bill :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bartlett, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Cavitt, Colquet, Cowden, Donelson, Dortch, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Richey, Shemwell, Taylor, Temple, Tipton, Tompkins, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—42.

Noes—Messrs. Brien, Bullen, Carmichael, Davie, Kinney, Looney, Meek Stovall, Thomas, and Welcker—8.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	42
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	8

The bill passed third reading.

On motion,

Senate Messages not acted on were taken up.

House Bill, No. 407, for the benefit of Lizzie, Bob, Susan, Violet, Reynolds, Jacob, and Alexander Crouse,

Was taken up, and Senate amendment thereto concurred in.

House Bill, No. 388, to amend an act called An act better to secure the rights of tobacco planters,

Was taken up, and Senate amendments thereto concurred in.

House Bill, No. 361, to amend the act of 1811, chapter 76,

Was taken up, and Senate amendment thereto concurred in.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER:—

The Senate has receded from its amendment to House amendment to the Appropriation Bill in, relation to boy, George, and has adopted an additional amendment to said bill.

And the same is returned for concurrence,

House bill, No. 310, to amend the charter of the South Carolina Carolina, Tennessee, and Kentucky Railroad Company,

Was taken up, and Senate amendment thereto concurred in.

Senate Bill, No. 222, to defray the expenses of the General Assembly,

Was taken up, and Senate amendment thereto concurred in.

House Bill, No. 370, to incorporate the Gayoso Savings Institution, and the Chattanooga Savings Institution,

Was taken up, and Senate amendments thereto were concurred in.

Mr. Colquet moved

To adjourn till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

The motion failed.

After the lapse of a few minutes,

Mr. Fielder moved

To adjourn till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

The House refused to adjourn.

After the lapse of a few minutes more,

On motion of Mr. Tompkins,

The House adjourned till 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY MORNING, MARCH 1, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Senate concurs in House amendments, Nos. 2 and 4, and amends amendment, No. 3, and non-concurs in House amendment, No. 1, to Senate Bill, No. 182, for the relief of the Commissioners of the East Tennessee Fair.

The Senate non-concurs in House amendment to Senate Bill, No. 177, to confer certain powers on surveyors.

Also non-concurs in House amendment to Senate Bill, No. 193, to provide for the payment of costs, &c.

And the same are returned.

The Senate has passed, on third reading, House bills as follows :

No. 419, for the benefit of Connell and Ferguson, &c.

No. 494, for the sale of the Memphis Hospital ground, buildings, and for other purposes.

No. 415, to change the name of Ross Preswell.

No. 297, to amend an passed 1st February, 1852, entitled

An act to change the line dividing the counties of Perry and Wayne.

The Senate has rejected House Bill, No. 448, entitled
A bill for the relief of the different counties of this State.

And the same is returned.

The Senate has concurred in House amendments to Senate Bills—

No. 179, a bill to extend further time to C. F. Welcker, &c.

No. 191, to change the line between the counties of Campbell and Scott.

No. 165, to legalize the official acts of certain Justices of the Peace.

No. 137, for the benefit of Kinsloe and Brother.

No. 166, to incorporate Manchester College, in Coffee county.

No. 198, to amend the charter of the Nashville and Cincinnati Railroad Company.

No. 173, to extend the corporate limits of Vernon, in Hickman county.

No. 148, to incorporate the Fulton Plank Road Company.

No. 152, to amend the charter of the Gallatin Turnpike Company.

No. 128, to protect widows and orphans.

No. 146, to amend the Internal Improvement acts.

No. 162, to charter the Flat Creek Female Academy, in Bedford county, &c.

No. 202, to establish the town of Centreville as a Common School district.

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts as follows, and the same have been deposited with the Secretary of State:

Requiring the sale of lands or slaves to be advertised in a newspaper.

To charter the Bank of America of Tennessee.

To provide for the future management of the State Hospital, and for other purposes.

And enrolled resolutions—

Providing for the purchase of one hundred volumes of Ramsey's History of Tennessee;

And recommending the appointment of a resident Commercial Agents in foreign ports.

The Resolution, No. 178, in relation to John G. Brazelton, Was called up.

Mr. Newman moved

To lay the resolution on the table.

Upon which Mr. Harris called the ayes and noes:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazelton, Burch, Carlock, Cowden, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Holmes, Kimble, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Smith, Thomas, Tipton, Ward, Welcker, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Mr. Speaker Brown—29.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colquet, Colburn, DeWitt, Harris, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Northcutt, Richey, Rudd, Stovall, Tompkins, and Wood of Hardeman—22.

Ayes, - - - - - 29

Noes, - - - - - 22

The motion prevailed.

The resolution was laid on the table.

A communication was received as follows:

NASHVILLE, March 1, 1856.

DEAR SIR:—We are instructed by Hon. John Bell to hand over to the members of the General Assembly, a certain number of the Congressional publications.

The books are now ready for delivery at our store, and you will please have the kindness to make the members of your House aware of the fact.

Very respectfully, your obedient servants,

WOODS, YEATMAN, & CO.

BY J. W. WALKER.

To D. R. CLAIBORNE, Clerk of the H. of R.

On motion of Mr. DeWitt,

The thanks of the House were returned to the Honorable John Bell, for the favor conveyed, as above.

On motion of Mr. Ball,

The thanks of the members of the House were returned to the Hon. James C. Jones, for similar favors during the session.

Senate Bill, No. 80, to regulate weights and measures in this State.

Passed its third reading by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Burch, Carlock, Colquet, Colburn, Cowden, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Mabry, Mathis, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Rudd, Smith, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—41.

Noes—Messrs. Bullen, Cavitt, Carmichael, Harris, Kinney, Massengil, Meek, Myatt, Newman, and Stovall—11.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	41
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	11

Senate Bill, No. 206, to regulate the transfer of State aid from one company to another,

Passed its third reading by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Carlock, Carmichael, Colburn, Cowden, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Harris, Holmes, Kimble, Looney, Mabry, Massengill, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Tipton, Tompkins, Ward, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—47.

Noes—Messrs. Cavitt, Colquet, Gallaway, Kinney, Mathis, and Meek—6.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	47
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	6

Senate Bill, No. 212, to give defendants justice in State prosecutions.

Was rejected by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Carlock, Colquet, Fielder, Holmes, Kinney, Mabry, Massengill, Meek, Nixon, Northcutt, Stovall, Tompkins, Ward, Wilson of Marshall, and Mr. Speaker Brown—16.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Bobo, Brazelton, Brien, Brown, of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colburn, Cowden, DeWitt, Donelson, Dunnington, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Harris, Hatton, Kimble, Looney, Mathis, Myatt, Newman,

Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Smith, Tipton, Welcker, Whiteside, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—36.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36

Senate Bill, No. 217, to regulate the agencies of Insurance Companies not incorporated by the State of Tennessee,

Was taken up.

Mr. Harris offered an amendment, incorporating the Bank at Jonesboro.

Mr. Cowden offered an amendment, amendatory to the charter of the Duck and Elk River Railroad Company.

Mr. Shemwell offered an amendment, giving bridge money to the Memphis and Louisville Air Line Railroad.

Mr. Meek offered an amendment, giving bridge money to the Cincinnati, Cumberland Gap, and Charleston Railroad Company.

Mr. Harris called for the previous question upon his amendment.

The call was sustained.

On the adoption of the amendment, Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, demanded the ayes and noes, which were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Ball, Bullen, Davie, Fort, Harris, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Massengill, Richey, Rudd, Tipton, Welcker, and White—14.

Noes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Carlock, Cavitt, Cowden, DeWitt, Donelson, Fielder, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Mabry, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—36.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	14
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	36

The amendment was rejected.

Upon the passage of the bill, the following vote was had:

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Armstrong, Ball, Brazelton, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Carlock, Cavitt, Carmichael, Colburn, Cowden, Davie, DeWitt, Donelson, Fielder, Fort, Galbreath, Gallaway, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kimble, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Meek, Myatt, Newman, Nixon, Northcutt, Parks, Pogue, Pope, Richey, Rudd, Shemwell, Smith, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Ward, Watkins, Welcker, White, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, Wood of Hardeman, and Mr. Speaker Brown—49.

Noes—Messrs. Bobo, Harris, Kinney, Looney, and Tipton—5.

Ayes,	-	-	-	-	-	49
Noes,	-	-	-	-	-	5

The bill passed third reading.

Mr. Dunnington, from the Committee of Conference, on Senate Bill, No. 4, to repeal section 3, of the act of 1853, chap. 72, reported the recommendation of a majority of said committee that the House recede from its amendment to said bill, requiring the State to pay all costs when a defendant is acquitted in a State prosecution.

Mr. Kimble moved

That the House insist on its amendment to said bill.

The motion prevailed, and the House insisted.

Senate Bill, No. 125, to provide for the gradual enlargement of the Library of the State, and for the custody of the same,

Was taken up, and Senate amendment to House amendment to the same concurred in.

Senate Bill, No. 182, for the benefit of the Commissioners of the East Tennessee Fair,

Was taken up.

Mr. Wood, of Cannon, moved

That the House insist on its amendment for the benefit of Jas. R. Taylor, and concur with the Senate in its other amendments.

The motion prevailed, and the House insisted.

Mr. Newman moved

That a Committee of Conference be appointed on said amendment.

The motion prevailed, and the Speaker appointed Messrs. Looney, Stovall, and Tipton, as said committee on the part of the House.

Senate Bill, No. 177, to confer certain powers on the Surveyors of the respective counties of this State,

Was taken up.

On motion of Mr. Wood, of Cannon,

The House receded from its amendment, No. 1, and insisted on its amendment, No. 2, and asked a Committee of Conference.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Wood, of Cannon, Meek, and Thomas, as said committee on the part of the House.

Senate Bill, No. 193, to provide for the payment of costs in prosecutions against slaves,

Was taken up.

Mr. Thomas moved

To insist on its amendment to said bill, providing for the pay of persons summoned on a special venire.

The House refused to insist.

On motion of Mr. Stovall,

The House receded.

Senate Bill, No. 195, to simplify an act passed 30th January, 1845, to exempt certain species of property from execution,

Was rejected.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported Bills, Nos. 43, 270, 407, 508, 153, 370, 310, 361, 288, and 388, correctly enrolled.

Mr. Kinney introduced the following Resolution, No. 179 :

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be tendered to the Chairmen of the different Committees, for the very able manner in which they have discharge the duties of their respective stations during the present session.

On motion,

The rule was suspended, and the resolution unanimously adopted.

The following report was received and ordered to be spread upon the Journal :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Joint Select Committee of the Senate and House of Representatives, who were appointed to wait upon his Excellency, Gov. Andrew Johnson, and inform him that the Legislature contemplated adjourning *sine die*, on the 3d inst., and to receive any further communications he might desire to make to the General Assembly, have performed that duty, and beg to report that he has no further message or communication to offer.

J. D. C. ATKINS,	}	Senate Committee.
THOS. DEAN,		
R. G. ELLIS,		

W. J. MATHIS,	}	House Committee.
JAS. B. ALGEE,		
LOYD BULLEN,		

The following communication was received, and ordered to be spread upon the Journal :

To the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee :

The Central Bank of Tennessee proposes, on condition your Honorable Body will grant it the franchise of Banking, with the powers posse-sed by the Bank of East Tennessee; or any of the Stock Banks created by the last Legislature—

To restrict its operations to the Branches now in existence ;

To withdraw all circulation payable at the Paris Branch ;

To restrict the circulation of the Dandridge Branch to one hundred thousand dollars ;

To be governed by a Board of five Directors, citizens of Tennessee, stockholders in said Bank ;

To have its capital stock reduced to five hundred thousand dollars, and be subject to all the restrictions imposed on the Bank of East Tennessee, retaining the privileges of the same ;

To make all its notes payable at its counter at Nashville, except the one hundred thousand dollars already issued, payable at Dandridge ;

To pay a bonus, for the Common School Fund, of one-half of one per cent. ;

To report of the General Assembly at each session the state of its business ;

And to redeem all its circulation now outstanding on presentation.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. H. HUBBARD, President.

March 1, 1856.

On motion of Mr. Wilson, of Marshall,

The communication was made the special order of 2½ o'clock this afternoon.

Mr. White moved

A reconsideration of the vote making it the special order for this afternoon.

The House reconsidered the vote.

Mr. Burch stated that he was authorized by the President of the Bank, to amend the communication by striking out so much as refers to making a report to each session of the General Assembly, and inserting a proposition to abide by and be subject to an act passed the present General Assembly to regulate banking.

The amendment was accordingly made.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts as follows, and they are herewith returned for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

An act for the benefit of James Mitchell, and for other purposes.

An act for the benefit of the citizens of Columbia, and for other purposes.

An act to change the name of the Mossy Creek Missionary Baptist Seminary, in the county of Jefferson, to the name of Mossy Creek Baptist College.

An act for the benefit of children in fractional townships where any township is divided by county lines.

An act for the benefit of Huntsville Academy, in the county of Scott.

An act to change the time of holding the Circuit Court at Manchester, Coffee county, and for other purposes.

A resolution relative to school lands, in White and other counties.

Resolutions in relation to school lands in the Hiwassee District.

An act to amend an act passed 12th, January, 1852, and an act passed the 17th November, 1853, chapter 121, amendatory thereto, chartering a turnpike road from Tazewell to Knoxville.

An act to amend an act passed February 25, 1852, incorporating the Murfreesboro and Liberty Turnpike Company, and for other purposes.

An act to increase the powers of Circuit and County Court Clerks.

An act to economise the contingent expenses of the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee.

An act to charter the Duck River Valley Railroad.

The Senate has concurred in the report of the Committee of Conference recommending an amendment to House amendment to Senate Bill, No. 177;

And the same is returned for the action of the House.

The Senate recedes from its non-concurrence in House amendment to Senate Bill, No. 182.

For the benefit of the Commissioners of the East Tennessee Fair.

The Senate has rejected House Bill, No. 374, to amend the school law,

And Bill, No. 483, to confer upon the Circuit and Common Law Courts of Tennessee, jurisdiction in cases of salvage.

And have indefinitely postponed House Bill, No. 266½, to establish a Criminal Court in the city of Chattanooga, and for other purposes.

And have passed on third reading the following House Bills:

No. 432, to regulate banking.

No. 449, to amend the 13th section of an act entitled

An act, passed 1804, chapter 1, in relation to public roads, and they are returned for enrollment.

MR. SPEAKER :

The Senate non-concurs in House amendment to regulate the grade of railroads to Senate Bill, No. 206, entitled

A bill to regulate the transfer of State aid from one company to another;

And the same is returned.

The Speaker of the Senate has signed enrolled acts to incorporate the Alexandria and Rome Turnpike Company, and for other purposes.

To amend the acts incorporating the town of Gallatin, in Sumner county;

And the same are transmitted for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The Senate insists upon its amendment to House Resolution, No. 172, in relation to Joint Select Committee on the Penitentiary;

And the same is herewith returned.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, then moved

To lay the communication from the President of the Central Bank on the table.

Mr. Cowden demanded the ayes and noes on the motion :

Ayes—Messrs. Algee, Bobo, Brazelton, Carlock, Colburn, Cowden, Donelson, Fielder, Fort, Harris, Kimble, Mabry, Massengill, Mathis, Myatt, Nixon, Pogue, Pope, Shemwell, Stovall, Thomas, Tompkins, Watkins, Whiteside, Wilson of Marshall, Wood of Cannon, and Wood of Hardeman—27.

Noes—Messrs. Armstrong, Ball, Brown of Madison, Bullen, Burch, Cavitt, Carmichael, Davie, DeWitt, Gleaves, Hatton, Holmes, Kinney, Looney, Meek, Newman, Parks, Rudd, Ward, Welcker, White, and Mr. Speaker Brown—22.

Ayes, - - - - - 27

Noes, - - - - - 22

There was not a quorum voting.

Mr. Meek asked and obtained leave to withdraw the communication.

On motion,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the following bills were correctly enrolled : Nos. 449, 397, 297, 415, 419, 494, and 433.

Senate Bill, No. 177, to confer certain powers on the Surveyors of the respective counties in this State,

Was taken up, and the House agreed to the report of the Committee of Conference in relation to amendment, No. 1, and concurred in the action of the Senate thereon.

Senate Bill, No. 206, to regulate the transfer of State aid from one company to another.

Was taken up; and,

On motion of Mr. Newman,

The House insisted on its amendment thereto, regulating the grade of railroads.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Senate adheres to its non-concurrence in House amendment in regard to the grade of railroads entitled to State aid, to Senate Bill, No. 206, entitled

A bill to regulate the transfer of State aid from one company to another;

And the same is returned for further consideration.

The Speaker has signed the following enrolled acts, and they are herewith transmitted for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

To defray the expenses of this General Assembly, with the report of the Committee on Finance.

To authorize the formation of companies, and regulate private and local affairs, and retrench the expenses of legislation.

To amend the charter of the Gallatin Turnpike Company, and for other purposes.

Mr. White moved

To recede from House amendment to Senate Bill, No. 206,

To regulate the transfer of State aid from one company to another,

And offered in lieu of said amendment, an amendment changing the time of holding the Circuit Court at Knoxville, and authorizing the Mayor and Aldermen of Knoxville to issue bonds to pay for the construction of Water Works in said city of Knoxville.

The House receded from its amendment, regulating the grade of railroads, and adopted Mr. White's amendment in lieu.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER:—

The Speaker of the Senate has signed the following enrolled Acts, and they have been deposited with the Secretary of State :

For the benefit of Connell and Ferguson, and Isaac Thompson, and for other purposes.

To change the name of Ross Preswell to Ross Hurst, and for other purposes.

To authorize the establishment of the Memphis Water Works Company, and for other purposes.

An act to amend the thirteenth section of an act entitled An act passed 1804, chapter first, in relation to public roads.

To amend the act passed 1st February, 1852, entitled An act to change the line dividing the counties of Perry and Wayne.

To exempt certain property from execution or attachment, and for other purposes.

To amend the act passed February 8, 1854, called An act better to secure the rights of tobacco planters.

To incorporate the Gayoso Savings Institute, and the Chattanooga Savings Institution.

To amend the charter of the South Carolina, Tennessee and Kentucky Railroad Company.

To amend the act of 1811, chapter 75.

To guard against accidents upon railroads, and to protect the lives and property of the citizens.

An act for the sale of the Memphis Hospital grounds and buildings, and for other purposes.

To authorize Sarah A. Prock to open a turnpike road.

An act for the benefit of Lizzy, Bob, Susan, Violet, Reynolds, Jacob, and Alexander Crouse, and others.

To charter the Strawberry Plains, Dandridge, and Newport Railroad Company, and for other purposes.

To amend the civil practice in certain cases, and for other purposes.

The Senate has concurred in House amendment in regard to the times of holding Courts in Knoxville, &c., to Senate Bill, No. 206, entitled

A bill to regulate the transfer of State aid from one Company to another ;

And the same has been ordered to be enrolled.

On motion,

The House then adjourned till Monday morning, 9 o'clock.

MONDAY MORNING, MARCH 3, 1856.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Wood, of Hardeman, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported—

An act to amend the charter of the Columbia and Hampshire Turnpike Company, and for other purposes ;

An act to amend the revenue laws of this State, and to provide for a proper assessment ;

An act to regulate and define the fees of the Clerks of the Supreme, Chancery, Circuit and County Courts, Sheriffs, Coroners, Constables, Justices of the Peace, Jailors, Surveyors, Notaries Public, Sealer of Weights and Measures, Clerks of the Criminal Courts, and for other purposes ;

An act to establish the county of Cheatham ;

As correctly enrolled.

A Message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Walker, their Clerk, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER :

The Speaker of the Senate has signed the following enrolled acts, and they are transmitted for the signature of the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

To provide for the gradual enlargement of the Library of this State, and for the custody of the same, and for other purposes.

An act for the benefit of the Penitentiary of this State.

To provide a remedy in favor of private individuals against the State.

To incorporate the Ashport and Ripley Plank Road Company, and for other purposes.

To regulate the transfer of State aid from one company to another, and for other purposes.

For the benefit of Kinsloe and Brother.

To protect widows and orphans.

For the benefit of the town of Vernon, in Hickman county.

To extend further time to Charles F. Welcker, W. S. Center, and A. Addisson to construct a turnpike road.

To confer certain powers on the Surveyors of the respective counties in this State, and for other purposes.

To regulate the agencies of Insurance Companies not incorporated by the State of Tennessee.

To charter the Flat Creek Female Academy in Bedford county, and for other purposes.

To amend the charter of the Mutual Firemen's Insurance Company, of Nashville, passed July 28, 1853, and for other purposes.

To regulate and define the duties of the Road Commissioner, in this State.

To amend the act passed 11th February, 1852, entitled An act to establish a system of Internal Improvements in this State, and for other purposes.

To amend the charter of the Nashville and Cincinnati Railroad Company, and for other purposes.

To legalize the official acts of certain Justices of the Peace.

To incorporate Manchester College, in Coffee county, and for other purposes.

To change the line between the Counties of Campbell and Scott.

To incorporate the Fulton Plank Road Company, and for other purposes.

To provide for the payment of cost in prosecutions against slaves.

To amend the charter of the Edgfield Bucket and Broom Manufacturing Company, and for other purposes.

To regulate Weights and Measures in this State.

For the benefit of the Commisioners of the East Tennessee Fair, and for other purposes.

To establish the town of Centreville, in Hickman county, as a Common School District.

On motion of Mr. Stovall,

Senate Bill, No. 131, to amend the Criminal laws of this State, in relation to slaves,

Was taken up.

Mr. Bullen moved

To strike out so much of the bill as makes it a misdemeanor in owners of slaves to permit them to carry fire arms in hunting off of their own plantation.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Meek offered an amendment repealing all Bank charters which may have passed this General Assembly, by way of amendment to any bill.

The Speaker ruled the amendment out of order, as not being germane to the subject matter of the bill.

Mr. Kimble moved

To strike out so much of the bill as punishes the burning of fodder stacks, &c. ;

Which motion was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Stovall.

There was not a quorum voting on the passage of the bill.

A Message was received from the Senate by Mr. Walker their Clerk as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : --

The Speaker of the Senate has signed the following enrolled acts, and the same have been deposited with the Secretary of State :

To regulate the fees of Supreme, Chancery, Criminal and County Court Clerks, &c., &c.

To amend the revenue laws of this State, and to provide for a proper assessment.

To establish the County of Cheatham.

To amend the charter of the Columbia and Hampshire Turnpike Company, and for other purposes.

MR. SPEAKER : --

I am directed to announce to the House of Representatives, that the Senate has completed the business before it, and is now ready to adjourn without day.

Mr. Nixon moved

That the Clerk be directed to inform the Senate, that the House was now ready to adjourn.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Cavitt moved

That the House now adjourn, *sine die*.

Previous to decision of the question, the Hon. Neill S. Brown addressed the House as follows :

Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :

I could not fail to be deeply gratified at the very flattering testimonials you have given, of your approbation of my course as Presiding Officer of this House, and I shall cherish this proof of your kindness among the most sacred reminiscences of this body. Next to the consciousness of a faithful discharge of duty, the approbation of others is the only reward a public man in this country can receive.

But while I feel that I have been impartial and faithful, candor compels me to admit that I owe this meed of your praise rather to your generosity than to any peculiar merit or efficiency on my part. Accept, then, gentlemen, the assurance of my grateful acknowledgments.

We have arrived at last, after a long and laborious session, to the period of final separation. We are about to return to our homes and families and constituents, and merge the official character we have borne, in the ranks of private life. The thought doubtless inspires joyous anticipations in the bosom of every one. But such reflections cannot be umingled on this occasion. We shall never all meet again ! In a few years the grave will have closed over many of the living forms now before me, animated as they are with health and hope and expectation. Age and youth, and the prime of manhood, have mingled together in this Hall in the noble work of serving the State. Some will return to those seats, others will rise to higher stations, and others will find in private life, that serene happiness which does not belong to the field of politics.

We may be compared to actors on the stage. Each has performed his part. The curtain is about to drop. The audience will soon depart. The lights will be extinguished, and silence will reign, where for five months have been heard the busy hum of voices, and the earnest appeal in behalf of favorite views. Such is man, and such is human society.

But, gentlemen, let us remember that the duties of patriotism do not terminate with our career as Representatives. We will carry them with us into our retirement, and to the last moment of our lives, with all the vigor and force with which we felt them here, under oath, beneath this spreading canopy, and with all the responsibilities of the State upon us.

Whatever may be our different views of public policy, we can have but one aim—the honor and glory of our country. And as we have enjoyed the popular confidence, we have a peculiar responsibility towards every public emergency. Clouds and darkness may hover over our beloved State, as they do often over the pathway of the individual man. And shall we not be the first to meet the crisis ?

Remember that our institutions rest, not like this Capitol, upon massive pillars of granite, that defy the assaults both of nature and man, but upon virtue and intelligence. No mailed legions guard our outposts, nor frowning battlements the access that leads to the temple. But a virtuous devotion and an enlightened comprehension, are the guardian angels, whose bright swords ever gleam over our Eden, and have thus far preserved it in all its bloom and in all its beauty. And wo betide the times that shall install new sentiments in their stead !

The obligations of patriotism are not limited to the battle field, but are everywhere upon all classes and conditions. The dying soldier points amid his ebbing strength, to the colors that float over his head, and for this he is immortalized in story and in song. But the pains-taking civilian—the professional man—the patriarch at the head of his tribe, who sudies to comprehend the true theory of our institutions, and calculates the maxims of truth and justice, fidelity and honor, performs no mean part in the field of public service. These duties are inexorable in their demands, and they appeal to every man, public and private, everywhere and at all times. They follow old age down the stream of life and invoke its councils even to the verge of the ocean of time. They challenge the first homage of the ardent youth and claims its loftiest aspirations. But they call with special emphasis upon the prime of life, with all its faculties in full maturity, and monopolise its allegiance. No talents, however brilliant, or stations, however exalted, can alone ensure immortality. Virtue must mingle in the array and lead the vanguard. It alone can write the destiny of men among the stars, or gild his pathway along down the vale of life, or shed a bright halo around the chambers of the tomb.

Among the consolations which soothe the last hours of every honest man, none is superior to the reflections that he has contributed his share in the support of this great structure of human freedom. And no earthly hope, is so sublime as that, which, confiding in the inherent strength of our system, contemplates this government when century after century shall have rolled away, still towering among the nations of the world in all its majesty and in all its glory. The seat of civilization and the arts, as it is the seat of liberty and religion—its devices unchanged—its stars undimmed—and marching onward in its great mission,—the regeneration of man !

And who among us is not animated by an ardent desire that Tennessee shall form a bright point in such a picture ? To ensure it requires your aid and mine and that of every man in the State. The public faith has been pledged from time to time, for the accomplishment of great and important undertakings, and the obligation arising from it, is binding upon you and me, upon our honor and our loyalty, upon our property and our influence ; to the last cent and to the last moment of our lives. And he is not a patriot, who would slight or evade it upon the plea that he did not concur

in its creation, or dissented from its policy. He deserves the brand of Cain, who would stir up dissatisfaction, or sow the seeds of repudiation. No State could live through the storm of obloquy that would concentrate upon it for disregarding its plighted faith. I have no sympathy with that code of morals which tolerate a standard in public life and political action, different from that which belongs to private relations. Justice and truth and honor alone can save States and render them great and glorious, as they alone can save men, and elevate them to the true dignity of human nature.

In casting our eyes forward, we can anticipate the time, when the public works now projected shall have been completed, our mountain barriers scaled, our rivers bridged, our forest subdued, and the whole train of industrial pursuit in full operation. Such results will give strength and influence to the State, promote individual wealth and afford employment to labor. And I am happy in the conviction that the measures we have adopted will be found ample to meet all the public engagements. No holder of our bonds need to indulge in the slightest apprehension. And we have a fund in reserve, upon which no draft has ever been protested—the stern honor of the people of Tennessee. We may indulge the fond hope, that with the vast physical developments in prospect, the policy of the State will be marked by the same unfaltering loyalty to the Union that has always distinguished her—turning neither to the right nor the left, but revolving on and on, in the midst of this bright galaxy, with graceful dignity and grandeur, gathering new lustre from every new test of devotion. My voice will perhaps never be heard again in her councils, but it shall be heard to my dying day in behalf of her interests, her obligations and her honor, through good report and through evil report, in sunshine or in storm. I have vowed it upon her altars and it shall stand forever.

But allow me to remark, that while the State has done so much towards the development of her resources and the promotion of commerce, it is a matter of regret that so little has been accomplished for the cause of education. That which lies at the foundation of society, and without which society itself would be overturned, has almost ceased to excite an emotion in our public councils. Dazzled by wealth and progress and physical development, we heed too little the still small voice of intellectual culture, which speaks from its unpretending abode to every American community, like the voice of religion to the man of the world. Wealth and power are important to a State, but virtue and intelligence are indispensable; and of this, the broken columns and fallen arches of ancient magnificence furnish a mournful attestation. May we hope that our successors will be wiser than ourselves and give to this great subject its due share of the public patronage! Before the bar of prosperity, the heaviest responsibility which will rest upon us and upon our predecessors, will be our neglect of popular education.

But I forbear. I trust that each one of you may receive the approbation of his constituents. And I ask each one to carry with him to his home, the assurance of my solicitude for his welfare and happiness. And if there remains among us any unpleasant recollections arising from collision of opinions or hasty expressions during our arduous labors, join with me this morning, and let us bury them in the grave of oblivion. I am happy in the belief that there are none. Let us part, cherishing the virtues and forgetting the faults of character, which we may respectively possess. I commend you, gentlemen, to that courage and fortitude which have sustained you here, and to the blessings of a kind Providence.

It only remains for me to bid each of you a kind and affectionate adieu, and to pronounce that this House stands adjourned *sine die*.

NEILL S. BROWN;

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

D. R. CLAIBORNE;

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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MASSENGILL, F. D., Representative from Sullivan, is qualified.....3
 Bills, Resolutions, Motions, &c.: 81, 99, 131, 144, 163, 166, 191, 196, 206, 208,
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MATHIS, W. J., Representative from Dickson, is qualified.....4
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 751, 753, 787, 797, 801, 805, 812, 832, 833, 842, 852, 861, 885.

MEEK, J. M., Representative from Jefferson, is qualified.....3
 Bills, Resolutions, Motions, &c.: 35, 36, 38, 44, 47, 48, 82, 97, 99, 127, 133, 134,
 141, 162, 167, 168, 178, 179, 180, 194, 196, 208, 216, 224, 226, 227, 228, 231,
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MYATT, E., Representative from Scott, Morgan and Fentress, is qualified.....4
 Bills, Resolutions, Motions, &c.: 149, 169, 184, 185, 190, 216, 287, 294, 304, 311,
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NEWMAN, TAZ. W., Representative from Franklin, is qualified.....3
 Bills, Resolutions, Motions, &c.: 27, 37, 77, 88, 99, 101, 113, 117, 118, 120, 127,
 133, 137, 138, 139, 140, 142, 148, 151, 157, 174, 176, 178, 181, 184, 186, 187,
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NIXON, GEO. H., Representative from Lawrence, is qualified.....4
 Bills, Resolutions, Motions, &c.: 5, 29, 57, 41, 50, 52, 54, 76, 78, 79, 84, 93, 105,
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 612, 648, 653, 674, 698, 716, 720, 728, 733, 753, 761, 796, 799, 827, 830, 846,
 851, 853, 861, 871, 889, 910.

NORTHCUTT, ADRIAN, Representative from Grundy, Coffee and Van Buren, is qualified...4
 Bills, Resolutions, Motions, &c.: 41, 118, 146, 185, 216, 236, 255, 262, 398, 526,
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PARKS, SMITH, Representative from Gibson, is qualified.....4
 Bills, Resolutions, Motions, &c.: 82, 88, 102, 103, 109, 124, 127, 147, 161, 167,
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 281, 282, 303, 307, 312, 324, 346, 354, 360, 361, 365, 366, 391, 392, 393, 394,
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 617, 626, 643, 671, 678, 683, 691, 692, 710, 712, 714, 717, 720, 721, 750, 757,
 762, 770, 773, 777, 804, 836, 838, 846, 847, 852, 854, 856, 891, 893.

POGUE, W. W., Representative from Wayne, is qualified.....4
 Bills, Resolutions, Motions, &c.: 94, 159, 233, 262, 283, 371, 450, 456, 481, 486,
 525, 528, 589, 654, 706, 762, 828.

POPE, N. M., Representative from Rhea, Bledsoe and Hamilton, is qualified.....4
 Bills, Resolutions, Motions, &c.: 79, 88, 103, 110, 124, 125, 156, 166, 174, 195,
 198, 200, 205, 208, 258, 263, 285, 291, 305, 326, 343, 369, 370, 382, 419, 431,
 441, 551, 581, 617, 629, 670, 673, 779, 780, 794, 815, 885.

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RUNNELS, P. R., Representative from Rutherford and Bedford, is qualified.....4
 Bills, Resolutions, Motions, &c.: 46, 79, 95, 109, 117, 119, 133, 146, 160, 175,
 176, 211, 221, 223, 260, 266, 271, 272, 303, 312, 333, 335, 337, 346, 360, 374,
 379, 414, 417, 441, 447, 448, 469, 555, 556, 587, 631, 643, 687, 759, 775, 845.

RICHEY, ELI, Representative from Bradley, is qualified.....3
 Bills, Resolutions, Motions, &c.: 35, 41, 76, 82, 96, 109, 113, 145, 194, 216, 222,
 323, 328, 330, 359, 391, 393, 456, 482, 484, 534, 548, 552, 571, 636, 684, 703,
 704, 709, 752, 793, 840.

RUPP, J. R., Representative from Munroe, is qualified.....3
 Bills, Resolutions, Motions, &c.: 87, 102, 103, 108, 109, 116, 142, 155, 211, 300,
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SHEM WELL, A. J., Representative from Stewart, is qualified.....4
Bills, Resolutions, Motions, &c: 102, 111, 136, 252, 338, 347, 353, 359, 371, 379, 418, 427, 430, 474, 475, 477, 485, 499, 510, 535, 558, 567, 569, 577, 635, 651, 669, 682, 743, 751, 758, 760, 901.

SMITH, J. B., Representative from McNairy, is qualified.....4
Bills, Resolutions, Motions, &c: 90, 109, 136, 178, 190, 195, 196, 200, 203, 217, 229, 231, 264, 265, 277, 286, 328, 346, 385, 393, 409, 514, 558, 633, 660, 681, 716, 752, 759, 834, 844, 878.

SNODGRASS, THOMAS, Representative from White, is qualified.....3
Bills, Resolutions, &c: 9, 51, 78, 82, 83, 92, 109, 112, 114, 115, 120, 125, 129, 132, 133, 135, 140, 142, 144, 161, 171, 174, 175, 176, 188, 194, 204, 206, 207, 211, 237, 251, 261, 263, 275, 279, 282, 285, 286, 289, 291, 298, 325, 328, 330, 331, 340, 353, 354, 360, 361, 365, 378, 383, 391, 404, 411, 415, 428, 451, 458, 459, 469, 470, 475, 476, 481, 503, 520, 530, 535, 537, 540, 544, 557, 566, 568, 571, 580, 588, 594, 597, 599, 601, 611, 615, 620, 645, 654, 655, 656, 660, 773, 794, 819, 841.

STOVALL, R. L., Representative from Obion, is qualified.....4
Bills, Resolutions, Motions, &c: 82, 132, 136, 159, 178, 181, 186, 189, 229, 235, 257, 304, 330, 337, 346, 355, 358, 360, 361, 370, 374, 379, 384, 386, 419, 424, 428, 434, 441, 442, 472, 494, 504, 506, 511, 522, 524, 538, 542, 548, 549, 550, 551, 553, 555, 556, 562, 566, 569, 580, 588, 593, 599, 603, 604, 616, 623, 643, 649, 650, 654, 656, 672, 686, 691, 711, 734, 742, 765, 792, 841, 854, 877, 886, 893, 894, 902.

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TAYLOR, JOHN T., Representative from Tipton, Fayette and Shelby.....102
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TEMPLE, L. M., Representative from Davidson, is qualified.....4
Bills, Resolutions, Motions, &c: 27, 41, 44, 46, 48, 90, 181, 203, 224, 266, 282, 291, 341, 346, 415, 420, 435, 480, 500, 504, 507, 581, 607, 631, 635, 636, 638, 649, 655, 656, 663, 673, 721, 738, 764, 847, 895.

THOMAS, D B., Representative from Haywood, is qualified.....4
Bills, Resolutions, &c: 47, 54, 82, 88, 99, 113, 159, 161, 181, 201, 214, 224, 247, 250, 337, 349, 361, 372, 383, 415, 422, 424, 439, 447, 481, 499, 511, 530, 531, 574, 631, 652, 692, 693, 710, 712, 753, 759, 827, 828, 832, 853, 893, 902.

TIPTON, A. J., Representative from Carter and Johnson, is qualified.....4
Bills, Resolutions, Motions, &c: 37, 47, 49, 81, 88, 102, 103, 112, 120, 136, 159, 177, 185, 194, 212, 213, 218, 221, 222, 224, 229, 231, 236, 237, 247, 251, 257, 259, 261, 266, 268, 273, 276, 280, 284, 289, 295, 298, 302, 309, 311, 321, 322, 324, 325, 328, 329, 336, 338, 340, 341, 345, 354, 358, 365, 375, 379, 380, 382, 383, 384, 386, 423, 424, 428, 429, 430, 440, 442, 449, 450, 456, 459, 460, 461, 462, 466, 469, 474, 475, 480, 485, 492, 496, 503, 506, 508, 509, 515, 526, 527, 546, 549, 550, 551, 555, 562, 568, 572, 577, 579, 584, 593, 597, 603, 608, 610, 614, 622, 628, 636, 644, 645, 648, 650, 651, 656, 661, 662, 663, 664, 669, 688, 700, 703, 710, 712, 714, 722, 727, 729, 740, 754, 757, 760, 766, 773, 785, 793, 806, 822, 832, 839, 851, 854, 878, 886, 889, 895;

TOMKINS, J. M., Representative from Rutherford, is qualified.....4
Bills, Resolutions, Motions, &c.: 79, 130, 160, 171, 198, 216, 269, 346, 347, 405, 406, 453, 469, 481, 499, 527, 562, 601, 620, 694, 714, 716, 754, 759, 774.

TRAVIS, W. E., Representative from Henry, is qualified.....4
 Bills, resolutions, Motions, &c.: 5, 22, 28, 47, 49, 78, 89, 116, 120, 129, 186, 196,
 203, 212, 221, 228, 229, 233, 234, 235, 246, 248, 252, 256, 275, 276, 283, 289,
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 521, 530, 545, 560, 564, 580, 581, 625, 632, 642, 643, 657, 710, 724, 737.

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WALLACE, WM., Representative from Anderson and Campbell, is qualified.....4
 Bills, Resolutions, Motions, &c.: 41, 83, 88, 106, 107, 133, 177, 185, 190, 196, 198,
 204, 218, 224, 248, 289, 300, 350, 387, 457, 470, 493, 546, 570, 579, 594, 601,
 643, 663, 669, 704, 709, 718, 741, 752, 774, 777, 794, 796, 830.

WARD, W. G., Representative from Smith, is qualified.....4
 Bills, Resolutions, Motions, &c.: 30, 47, 90, 170, 190, 231, 262, 263, 269, 275,
 353, 360, 417, 418, 471, 502, 536, 548, 575, 643, 646, 662, 664, 695, 726, 792,
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WATKINS, Ro., Representative from Giles, is qualified.....5
 Bills, Resolutions, Motions, &c.: 23, 98, 236, 237, 238, 246, 293, 307, 438, 493,
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WELCKER, H. J., Representative from Roane, is qualified.....3
 Bills, Resolutions, Motions, &c.: 28, 32, 102, 143, 241, 260, 262, 275, 282, 290,
 312, 324, 325, 361, 375, 504, 523, 549, 651, 652, 653, 664, 720, 722, 772, 853,
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WHITE, MOSES, Representative from Knox, is qualified.....3
 Bills, Resolutions, Motions, &c.: 27, 82, 119, 120, 134, 143, 148, 169, 206, 220,
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 570, 620, 622, 634, 645, 650, 683, 734, 736, 739, 828, 834, 839, 853, 877, 890,
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WHITESIDE, ROBERTSON, Representative from Hickman, is qualified.....4
 Bills, Resolutions, Motions, &c.: 83, 118, 177, 181, 204, 294, 379, 384, 393, 394,
 425, 476, 485, 563, 726, 769, 787, 789.

WILSON, J. W., Representative from Carroll, is qualified.....4
 Bills, Resolutions, Motions, &c.: 25, 325, 430, 451, 514, 525, 529, 786.

WILSON, E. A., Representative from Marshall, is qualified.....4
 Bills, Resolutions, Motions, &c.: 44, 54, 95, 132, 141, 143, 158, 159, 160, 161,
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 664, 669, 685, 696, 708, 712, 714, 725, 744, 757, 810, 827, 892, 904.

WOOD, E. J., Representative from Cannon, is qualified.....3
 Bills, Resolutions, Motions, &c.: 31, 47, 48, 52, 76, 82, 86, 89, 92, 124, 126, 131,
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 755, 758, 759, 787, 788, 793, 902.

WOOD, R. H., Representative from Hardeman, is qualified.....4
 Bills, Resolutions, Motions, &c.: 5, 52, 79, 83, 91, 97, 102, 105, 108, 110, 160,
 162, 166, 169, 183, 195, 218, 223, 234, 261, 333, 339, 361, 390, 412, 428, 438,
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 837, 866, 892, 893, 905, 908.

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No.	Introduced by	TITLES.	First Reading	Second Reading	Third Reading	Subsequent Action.
1	Brien,	To suppress tippling, nuisances and breaches of the peace...	52			
2	"	To change the line between the counties of Putnam, Cannon and DeKalb.....	52	164	170	
3	B. H. Wood,	For the benefit of G. W. Turk and others.....	52	79	84	160
4	E. A. Wilson.	To abolish military duty.....	54	197		
5	Kenney,	To repeal an act entitled an act, passed, March 2, 1854, ch. 54	54			
6	Bullen,	To authorize the Broyles and Henshaw Bridge Co. to build a toll bridge across Nolachucky river, in Greene county..	54	80	84	174
7	Thomas,	To regulate subscriptions to R. R. stock in the counties of Gibson, Henry and Haywood	54	202	291	
8	Brien,	To amend the act of 1854, ch. 320, sec. 7.....	76	83		
9	"	To reduce county expenses...	76			
10	"	To amend the criminal laws of this State, relative to costs..	76			
11	Richey,	To regulate the system of roads	76	496		
12	Newman,	For the benefit of W. J. Faris..	77	84	94	
13	Colquett,	For the reduction of County Clerk's fees.....	77	83	95	
14	Carlock,	To alter the line between the counties of McMinn and Monroe.....	77	142	164	
15	Cavitt,	For the benefit of administrators and guardians.....	77	83		
16	Looney,	To regulate and establish uniform rules of costs and for other purposes.....	77	203	291	
17	Ball,	To change the time of holding the Circuit Courts of the counties of Hancock and Hawkins	77	84	95	236
18	Harris,	Directory to the Circuit Court of Washington county.....	77	84	93	
19	N. S. Brown,	To authorize the endorsement by the Governor, of ninety five duplicate bonds for the N. & C. R. R. Co.....	77	91	99	
20	Galbreath,	To abolish the office of Entry Taker.....	77			
21	Snodgrass,	Giving further time to perfect titles to land in this State...	78	84	95	772
22	Cook,	To repeal the act of Feb. 12th, 1852, called an act to authorize and regulate the business of Banking.....	78	84		
23	Holmes,	To allow interchange of Judges and Chancellors.....	79	84	95	183 296
24	Dewitt,	To give Grand Jurors inquisitorial power in all cases.....	80			
25	Brien,	To reduce the Circuit Courts to two terms in lieu of three...	80			

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No.	Introduced by	TITLES.	First Reading	Second Reading	Third Reading	Subsequent Action.
26	Cook,	To amend the act 1835, ch. 6, sec. 8, designating the appointment, pay, &c. of jurors	81	91	171	
27	Tipton,	To repeal the proviso to the 3d section of an act, passed Feb. 10th, 1854, ch. 105.....	81	206	295	
28	Massengill,	To amend the school laws of this State.....	81			
29	Davie,	In relation to Tobacco Inspectors, &c.....	81			
30	Harris,	To repeal so much of the act of 1853-4, ch. 294, as gives to said companies, therein specified, banking privileges....	81			
31	Tipton,	Giving Presley Carden further time to finish his turnpike road	81	142	174	
32	White,	To incorporate the Knoxville Building and Loan Association	82	132	174	
33	E. J. Wood,	To provide for the election of tax collectors by the people.	82			
34	Thomas,	To incorporate the Clislean Society of the Baptist Female College, Brownsville, Tenn..	82	91	106	
35	Stovall,	To repeal the act declaring the North Fork of Obion river navigable.....	82	207	295	
36	"	Prescribing the duties of Magistrates, and providing for their compensation.....	82			
37	Snodgrass,	To repeal the three first sections of an act passed, Feb. 20th, 1854, entitled an act, prescribing the duties of Registers, and for other purposes	83	132	175	
38	R. H. Wood,	To amend an act entitled an act to enable all persons charged with the assets of an estate to have the evidences of payment by them perpetuated and for other purposes.....	83	209	297	
39	Wallace,	To change the name of Sampson Stuart.....	83	92	107	252
40	Kinney,	To incorporate the Methodist Church at Carter's Station Camp Ground, Greene county	83	92	106	
41	Whiteside,	To regulate the appointment of Attorney's General <i>pro tem.</i> ..	84	92		
42	Fielder,	To amend an act entitled an act to clean out the drift in the mouth of the Forked Deer river.....	84	105	113	
43	Cook,	To guard against accidents on railroads, and to protect the lives and property of the citizens.....	87	132	639	877

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No.	Introduced by	TITLES.	First Reading	Second Reading	Third Reading	Subsequent Action.
44	H. Brown,	To amend the 2d sec. of an act passed Feb. 1854, entitled an act to amend an act passed 11th Feb., 1852, entitled "an act to establish a system of Internal Improvements in this State.....	87	104	106	108 129
45	Brien,	To secure the completion of the McMinnville and Smithville Turnpike road.....	87	230	536	
46	Carlock,	To amend the attachment laws of this State.....	87	209	223	281
47	Brien,	To abolish Chancery Courts...	87			
48	Cavitt,	To amend the charter of the Nashville and North Western Railroad Co., and to transfer a portion of its State aid to the Memphis and Ohio R. R. Co.....	87	163		
49	Rudd,	To regulate the selection of jurors.....	87			
50	Cox,	To incorporate the Nashville Academy of Music and Fine Arts.....	88	92	107	
51	Parks,	Conferring additional power on the Mobile and Ohio R. R. Co. to borrow money.....	88	104	107	
52	Newman,	Making persons composing incorporated companies liable for the debts of the same..	88			
53	Pope,	To attach portions of Bledsoe and Marion counties to Hamilton county.....	88	92	103	
54	Davie,	To charter the Bank of America	88	485	616	843
55	Wallace,	To increase the fees of witnesses.....	88			
56	E. J. Wood,	To repeal the tippling law....	89	335	383	581
56½	Smith,	To repeal the tippling law, and to regulate the making and sale of ardent spirits.....	90			
57	Ward,	To authorise the taking of the depositions of practising physicians.....	90	217	526	
58	Cloud,	To increase the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace.....	90	220		
59	Temple,	To repeal the 8th section of the act of 1829, ch. 38, and to provide for the election of Agent of the Penitentiary of Tennessee.....	90			
60	Hatton,	To amend an act, entitled an act to amend the law in relation to the taking of depositions.	91	223	298	
61	Carlock, f	For the benefit of Columbia Academy in McMinn county.	91	105		
62	Colquett,	Prohibiting acting Justices of the Peace from serving on the grand juries of the State....	91			

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No.	Introduced by	TITLES.	First Reading	Second Reading	Third Reading	Subsequent Action.
63	Cook,	To tax tracts of land divided by a county line, in the county where the residence of the owner is situated.....	92	394	539	
64	Gilbert,	To regulate the tax on slaves..	94	467	752	866
65	Cavitt,	To enforce the laws of this State	94			
66	Hatton,	To change the manner of holding elections in the city of Nashville.....	94	230	298	
67	Runnels,	To suppress intemperance....	95			
68	Davie,	To amend the free banking law.	95	411	577	684
69	Gilbert,	For the benefit of James McGhee.....	96	231	298	
70	Meek,	To ascertain the will of the people of Tennessee in regard to the restraint of the sale of spirituous liquors....	97			
71	Hatton,	To authorize the appointment of deputies by the Clerks of the various Courts in this State.....	97			
72	R. H. Wood,	To amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Mississippi Central and Tennessee R. R. Company.....	97	142	175	
73	Cavitt,	For the benefit of litigants....	97			
74	Carmichael,	To amend the law now in force regulating the Beans Station Turnpike Company.....	99	105	112	
75	Dortch,	To charter the La Grange Female College.....	101	105	114	
76	Mabry,	To charter the McMinnville, and Sparta Turnpike Company.....	102	266	298	659
77	Little,	To repeal in part the act of 1826, chap. 22.....	102	267	299	
78	Gilbert,	To amend the Revenue laws of this State.....	102	144	162	
79	Shemwell,	To change the pay of witnesses attending the Circuit Courts of this State.....	102			
80	Rudd,	To repeal an act passed 2d March 1854, ch. 75.....	102			
81	Welcker,	For the relief of John Blair and others.....	102			
82	Parks,	To amend the act of 1817, chap. 54, sec's 1 and 2; and the act of 1823, chap. 21, sec. 1; and the act of 1835, chap. 17, sec. 4; regulating motions against Constables and their securities.....	102	268	299	773
83	Hatton,	To incorporate the Nashville Publishing and Printing Company.....	103	105	118	184
84	H. Brown,	To amend the practice in Chancery Courts.....	104	268		

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No.	Introduced by	TITLES.	First Reading	Second Reading	Third Reading	Subsequent Action.
85	Cavitt,	To establish a Conventional Interest.	104			
86	Mabry,	To change the location of the Branch of the Bank of Tennessee, from Sparta to McMinnville.	105			
87	Bartlett,	To abolish the Usury laws of this State.	105			
88	Harris,	To repeal the quart law.	105			
89	Burch,	The better to secure costs in prosecutions for misdemeanors.	106	282		
90	Kinney	To repeal all laws in force in this State prohibiting the sale of spirituous liquors by less quantities than a quart.	107			
91	Fielder,	To repeal the tippling law.	107			
92	Rudd,	To repeal the act of 1821, chap. 66, and the act of 1827, chap. 39, on the subject of Champerty.	108	324	536	596
93	Colburn,	For the relief of the heirs of Sam'l Saffee, dec'd.	108	112	536	690
94	N. S. Brown,	To amend an Act entitled an Act to authorize the Jews of Davidson County to purchase a Burial ground, build a Synagogue, and for other purposes.	108	112	118	
95	H. Brown,	To amend the Criminal laws of this State.	108	329		
96	Snodgrass,	To establish the County of Cumberland in this State.	109	121	130	206-252
97	Smith,	To secure to married women the right and use of their own property.	109			
98	Rudd,	For the benefit of the Tennessee, Western and Charleston Rail Road Company.	109	149	364	
99	Cloud,	Granting merchants the right to sell goods, wares and merchandise, without license, in certain cases.	109			
100	Mathis,	To change the mode of electing Surveyors.	109	330	537	
101	Snodgrass,	To amend an Act restablishing Putman County.	109			
102	Runnels,	For the benefit of Parents and Guardians.	109			
103	Richey,	For the relief of certain citizens of Bradley Co.	109			
104	Parks,	To amend the first section of an Act passed 23d January 1846 entitled an Act to tax and regulate tippling and tippling houses, and increase the Revenue.	110			

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105	Galloway,	To increase the school fund and for other purposes.....	110			
106	Bullen,	To equalize the labor and expense of Keeping up public Roads in this State.....	110			
107	Cox,	To charter the City Building and Loan Association of Nashville.....	110	117	175	361
108	Dunnington,	To promote improvement in the Criminal law and for other purposes.....	111	335	538	625
109	Shemwell,	To define the duties of Overseers of Public County roads, and road tax.....	111	499	559	
110	Snodgrass.	To protect honest litigants....	112			
111	Richey,	To further extend the jurisdiction of incorporated towns and cities.....	113			
112	Dunnington,	To amend an Act entitled an Act to amend the Revenue laws of this State passed 5th February 1848.....	114	335		
113	Carlock,	To suppress Drunkenness.....	114			
114	Mathis,	To amend the small offence law passed 10th of January 1848 chap. 55.....	114	331	538	
115	N. S. Brown,	For the relief of Thos. Shelton and for other purposes.....	115	337	539	626
119	N. S. Brown,	To amend the practice in the trial of Criminal cases and for other purposes.....	115	339	492	691 732
117	N. S. Brown,	To provide for the erection of Statues of Gen. Washington and Gen. Jackson in the Capitol of the State.....	115			
118	Looney,	To amend an Act incorporating Columbia and Fountain creek Turnpike Co. passed 9th February 1850.....	115	122	131	
119	Hatton,	To amend the Act of 1827 chap. 54.....	115			
120	Looney,	To incorporate the Nicajack Rail Road and Mining Company.....	115	121	136	299
121	Colquett,	To prohibit the adulteration of Spirituous liquors in this State.....	115	450	686	
122	Rudd,	To repeal an Act passed January 24th 1854, entitled an Act to regulate County subscriptions to Rail Road Stock, and for other purposes.....	116			
123	Cox,	To repeal a portion of the 3d Section of an Act passed February 8th 1854 chap 131 and for other purposes.....	117			

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124	Runnels,	To increase the school fund and for other purposes.....	117			
125	Newman,	To repeal portions of the Omnibus Internal Improvement Act.....	117			
126	Whiteside,	To change the line between the counties of Hickman and Lewis.....	118	121		
127	Northcutt,	To establish a Chancery Court at Altamont, Grundy County.	118	122	131	
128	Hatton,	To provide for the punishment of persons interfering with trains on R. Rs.....	118	632	686	
129	Galbreath,	To establish a Chancery Court at the town of Cookville, in Putnam County.....	118	122	252	
130	Runnels,	To protect owners of land sold for taxes.....	119			
131	Holmes,	Guaranteeing the payment by the State of certain bonds issued, and to be issued by the city of Memphis.....	119	559		
132	Cox,	To amend the charter of the Nashville and Middle Franklin Turnpike Company.....	120	139	541	684
133	Newman,	To elect the President of the Bank of Tenn., the Commissioner of R. Rs., and the Keeper of the Penitentiary, by the people.....	120			
134	Cobb,	To repeal all laws incorporating the town of Columbus in Polk County.....	120	133	175	
135	Dunnington,	For the benefit of Administrators and Executors.....	120	339	541	
136	Tipton,	To repeal an act creating the office of Railroad Commissioner.....	120			
137	Dunnington,	To regulate the compensation to be allowed Executors, Administrators, Guardians and other Trustees.....	124			
138	Cowden,	To alter the County line of Maury and Marshall.....	124	498	687	688,689,772
139	Galbreath,	To authorize the President and Directors of the Bank of Tennessee to appoint an additional Director.....	124	341	371	
140	Parks,	To amend the act passed 12th February, 1852, entitled an act to authorize and regulate the business of banking.....	127			
141	Campbell,	To amend the Common School law.....	127	341	733	
142	Kinney,	To prohibit Attorneys General from sending Bills of indictment, or by presentment be-				

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		fore the grand jury without the name of the Prosecutor.	129			
143	Bullen,	To reduce the price of public printing.	129	343		
144	Cloud,	To change the name of Tazewell Academy.....	129	371	542	594
145	Armstrong,	To amend the law of practice and pleading in cases of slander.	129			
146	Algee,	To amend the laws of 1825, chap. 56.....	130	410	542	690 774
147	Tompkins,	To amend the revenue laws...	130	371	555	
148	Meek,	To amend the charter of the Strawberry Plains College, passed February 6th 1850...	133	371		
149	Cox,	To amend the 15th section of of an act passed 28th of February 1852, entitled an act to charter the Nashville, Franklin and Columbia Railroad Company.	133	391	544	
150	N. S. Brown,	To incorporate the Nashville and Memphis United States Mail Packet Line and for other purposes...v.....	141	372	543	691
151	" " "	To amend an act entitled an act to charter the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company, and the several acts amending said act passed by the Legislatures of Kentucky and Tennessee.....	141	216	309	378
152	Snodgrass,	For the mutual benefit of creditors and debtors.	142			
153	Rudd,	To allow Sarah A. Prock to open a Turnpike road.....	142	414	543	878
154	Dunnington,	To regulate the collection of executions and for other purposes.....	142			
155	Carlock,	To prevent incompetent persons from teaching free schools.	143	372	543	
156	E. A. Wilson,	For the relief of the securities of Wm. B. Holden, late Sheriff of Marshall County.	143	158	170	392
157	Cobb,	For the benefit of owners of land sold for taxes, and Common Schools.....	143			
158	Cavitt,	Repealing all laws authorizing the Courts of this State to incorporate towns.....	143			
159	White,	To incorporate the Rosetta Mining and Manufacturing Company.	143	373	553	662
160	Welcker,	To provide for the emancipation of slaves and the transportation of free persons of				

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		color to the West Coast of Africa.	143			
161	Mathis,	To provide for widows and children.	144	373	572	
162	Bullen,	To regulate the sale of spirituous and vinous liquors in this State.	144			
163	Cook,	To amend the act of 1779, chap. 10.	144			
164	Algee,	To repeal the 10th Section of an Act passed 1777 chap. 23, and to regulate the duties of millers.	146			
165	Cowden,	To authorize Jno A. Roads to hawk and peddle on dry goods without license.	149			
166	Ball,	For the benefit of Sheriffs.	149	415	554	
167	Holmes,	To authorize the establishment of the Memphis Water Works Company.	149	415	554	774
168	Myatt,	To amend an Act entitled an Act to establish a system of common schools passed 28th February 1854.	149			
169	Cloud,	To make certain cases felonies &c.	150	415		
170	Thomas,	To enable constables to settle up their business.	159			
171	Dunnington,	To amend an Act incorporating the town of Williamsport in Maury Co.	159	266	308	
172	Donelson,	To extend the time for receiving State Aid by the Louisville and Nashville R. R. Co.	159	216	238	
173	Cox,	To amend the Act passed 2nd March 1854 entitled an Act to amend the charter of the Tennessee Marine and Fire Insurance Company passed 25th November 1853 and for other purposes.	159			
174	Bartlett,	To incorporate Washington Fire Co. No. 6. in the city of Memphis.	159	170	177	305
175	Stovall,	To authorize Wm. H. Guy and others to build a Turnpike Road in Obion Co.	159	397	556	691
176	E. A. Wilson,	To authorize Justices of the Peace to correct errors in certain cases.	159	415		
177	Davie,	To incorporate the Clarksville Insurance Company.	159			
178	Hatton,	For the establishment of a State Normal School and for other purposes.	159	395	525	
179	Holmes,	To establish a more efficient system of Common Schools.	160			

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180	Snodgrass,	To prescribe the duties of County Courts in cases of runaway slaves.....	161			
181	Thomas,	To restrict dram shops &c. to regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors.....	161			
182	Cowden,	To amend the Act incorporating the Cornersville and Lewisburg Turnpike Company, ...	161	416	561	760
183	Cox,	To amend the charter of the city of Nashville.....	161	328	561	774
184	Bartlett,	To amend the attachment laws of this State.....	162	209		
185	Davia,	To charter the Memphis Cotton Mills.	163	187	208	
186	Armstrong,	To charter the Knoxville, Sevierville and Paint rock R. R. Co.....	163	416	563	830
187	Dortch,	To incorporate Legrange Synodical College in the County of Fayette.....	166	304	366	
188	Brazelton,	To amend an Act passed 23d January 1846 entitled an Act to tax and regulate tippling and tippling houses.....	166			
189	Algee,	To compel all free persons of color, residing within the limits of the State of Tennessee to emigrate to Liberia, or elsewhere beyond the boundary of the State.....	166	416		
190	Massengill,	Giving the Blountsville, Middletown and Elizabethton Turnpike Company further time to build their road.....	166	265	304	
191	Cox,	To incorporate the Cumberland Manufacturing Co.....	168	416	565	775
192	Brien,	To prevent frauds in the formation of new counties.....	168	416	565	
193	Bartlett,	To facilitate the taking of depositions and to reduce the cost.....	168			
194	Holmes,	To amend the 22d Section of an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Mechanics Library Association of Fayetteville, and to reduce the several Acts incorporating the town of Jackson into one Act, and to amend the same, passed 2d March 1854"....	168	416	565	774
195	Dewitt,	To amend an Act entitled an Act to establish a system of Internal Improvements in this State.....	168			
196	Ball,	To amend the existing law in				

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197	Gleaves,	relation to divorces, passed 1835-6 chapt. 26.....	169			
198	Myatt,	To exempt Masonic Lodges, Odd-Fellows' Halls and Temperance Halls from taxation.	169	217		
199	Dunnington,	For the benefit of the citizens of the County of Scott.....	169	499		
200	White,	To provide for the payment of certain State Bonds.....	169			
201	Ward,	To amend the charter of the Knoxville and Charleston Rail Road Company.....	169	419	566	
202	Cox,	To amend an Act passed 2nd March 1854 entitled an Act to secure the completion of turnpike roads in Smith, Wilson and Sumner Counties by State Credit, and for other purposes.....	170	387	398	691
203	Bullen,	To establish the County of Crockett.....	170	419	565	844
204	Cook,	To amend the laws in relation to Turnpike Roads, and proceedings against them and for other purposes.....	170	420	566	
205	Dortch,	To amend the Act passed 16th Dec. 1839 entitled an Act to provide for the probate and registration of deeds and other instruments of security beyond the limits of the United States, and for other purposes.....	171	419	605	
206	Carlock,	To amend an act entitled an act to establish a State Agricultural Bureau and for other purposes.....	173	420	585	
207	Newman,	To incorporate the Hibernia Mining Company.....	174	420	601	706
208	Holmes,	To protect barn yards, stock yards &c.....	174	420	601	
209	Bullen,	To incorporate Colliersville Female College.....	174	420	602	774
210	Dunnington,	To make certain acts misdemeanors.....	174	460		
211	Kinney,	To change the present system of Penitentiary labor.....	177			
212	Colburn,	To amend the first section of the act of 1853, chap. 103..	177	370	709	
213	Cavitt,	To authorize the election of an additional Justice of the Peace in the town of Maryville.....	180	421	602	775 783 784
214	Davie,	To secure the rights of landholders.....	180	421	604	
		To prevent frauds in elections.	181			

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215	Fort,	To amend the 1st section of an act chap. 1st., passed in the year 1804.....	181	421	604	
216	Brien,	To carry into effect the intention of testators.....	181			
217	Thomas,	To amend an act passed 9th February, 1850, chap. 170.	181	424		
218	Temple,	To amend the act of 1853, chap. 54.....	181	224	313	
219	Gilbert,	For the preservation of records.	181			
220	Whiteside,	To amend the law now in force in this State to suppress betting on elections.....	181	424	604	
221	Galbreath,	Granting appeals in certain cases.	181	427	606	
222	Stovall,	To amend an act passed 11th February 1852, entitled an act to establish a system of Internal Improvements in this State, passed 8th February, 1854.	181	202	212	247
223	Burch,	Directory to the Comptroller of the Treasury, for the benefit of Absolom Selcer.....	181	370	528	726
223	Myatt,	To establish a Chancery Court in Morgan County at Montgomery, and for other purposes.....	184			
225	Hatton,	To amend an act to authorize and regulate County subscriptions to Railroad stock.	184	461	493	
226	Dewitt,	To amend an act passed 31st January, 1854, entitled an act to charter the Alexandria and Red Sulphur Springs Turnpike Company, and for other purposes.....	185	461	651	844
227	Northcutt,	To amend the act of 1853-4 chap. 181.....	185	398	606	843
228	Tipton,	To repeal part of an act passed Nov. 1st, 1855, as confers conventional interest.....	185			
229	Algee,	To prevent creditors from defrauding debtors.....	185			
230	Galbreath,	To compel attendance of witnesses in criminal cases....	185			
231	Bartlett,	To amend the proceedings in the collection of debts.....	185			
232	Myatt,	To charter the White Plains and Montgomery Turnpike Company.....	185	499		
233	Dewitt,	To incorporate the Sumner, Lafayette and Red Sulphur Springs Turnpike Company, and to secure its completion by State aid.....	189	461	655	654

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234	Holmes,	To incorporate the Building Company of the city of Memphis,.....	189	461	606	
235	Cox,	To authorize James H. Hagar, of Davidson county, to build a mill dam across Stones river.....	189	461		
236	Cox,	To amend an act entitled, an act to establish a criminal court in the county of Davidson, passed the 27th January, 1842.....	189	397	410	
237	Stovall,	Requiring Railroad Companies to drain the cuts on the sides of Railroads in this State...	189	370	384	596
238	H. Brown,	Requiring the sale of lands or slaves to be advertised in a news paper.....	190	461	614	881
239	Brien,	To prevent innocent and civil persons from being disturbed by drunkards.....	190			
240	Wallace,	To repeal an act, passed 21st Feb., 1852, chap. 116, entitled, an act to protect the Homestead.....	190	462		
241	Cook,	To regulate and amend the practice of the Chancery Courts in this State.....	190	504		
242	Gleaves,	To provide for lunatics; to amend the divorce laws, and for other purposes.....	190			
243	Myatt,	Defining the duties of surveyors	190			
244	Galloway,	For the benefit of stayors in certain cases.....	190	463	617	
245	Parks,	To reform the practice in the Circuit Court.....	190			
246	Armstrong,	To incorporate the Fountain Fire Company No. 1, in the city of Knoxville.....	190	463	609	774
247	Galbreath,	To prevent misunderstanding of jurors.....	191	465	623	
248	Wallace,	To authorize grand jurors to send for witnesses in certain cases.....	196	463	609	
249	Burch,	To incorporate the Mineral Railroad Company of East Tennessee and for other purposes.....	197	385	430	
249½	Looney,	To amend the charter of the Columbia and Hampshire Turnpike Company.....	356	464	712	828
250	Pope,	To incorporate the East Tennessee Grape growing, stock raising and manufacturing company.....	200	464	617	
251	Ball,	For the benefit of revenue collectors and constables.....	200	464	617	

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252	Pope,	For the relief of A. H. Nail, tax collector of Bledsoe county, and for other purposes.....	200	370		
253	Cloud,	To make owners of negro slaves liable for their acts.....	200	470		
254	Bullen,	To repeal an act, entitled an act to establish a Geologist, and Mineralogist and Assayer for the State of Tennessee, passed 24th Feb. 1854, ch. 135.....	200			
255	H. Brown,	To provide for the payment of the expenses of the Supreme Court.....	200	397		
256	Temple,	Requiring the Clerk of the Supreme Court, at Nashville, to collect and arrange the law library belonging to the State	203	465	617	
257	Cox,	To incorporate the Phoenix Mining and Manufacturing Company.....	205	471		
258	Little,	To extend the corporate limits of the town of Unionville, in Bedford county, and for other purposes.....	205	397	527	775
259	Pope,	To charter the Pikeville and Shell Mound Turnpike Company.....	205			
260	Ball,	To incorporate Rotherwood Classical Seminary in Hawkins county.....	205	366	379	
261	Cook,	To incorporate Tennessee Female College.....	205	266	313	527
262	Cobb,	To clear out the Hiwassee river	205	465		
263	N. S. Brown,	To incorporate the Tennessee Literary Society.....	205	397		
264	" " "	For the relief of John S. Patway of Davidson county....	205	465	618	620 634
265	" " "	To repeal the first and second sections of the act of 1843, ch. 9....	205	465	628	633
266	" " "	For the relief of the heirs of Mons. & Mad. Julis Godeau D'Entraigues.....	205	465	628	844
266½	Burch,	To establish a Criminal Court in the city of Chattanooga....	206	470	630	
267	Galbreath,	To amend the practice in county courts in this State.....	210	471	682	
268	Looney,	To repeal the act of 1842, ch. 35, sec. 1, and for other purposes.....	210			
269	Rudd,	To change the place for holding the Supreme Court for the Western Division of the State.....	211			
270	Tomkins,	To amend the civil practice in certain cases.....	216	471	712	

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271	Richey,	For the benefit of Common Schools.....	216	471		
272	Cox,	To amend the charter of the city of Nashville.....	216	472	637	791
273	Myatt,	To amend the existing laws of the State on the subject of killing wolves.....	216	472	637	
274	Campbell,	To amend the revenue laws of this State,.....	217			
275	Little,	To charter the Shelbyville University of the Tennessee Conference.....	220	303	333	
276	Bartlett,	Prescribing the mode of proving open accounts before a justice of the peace.....	220	472	637	638
277	Algee,	To incorporate the Jackson Building and Loan Association	220	485		
278	Holmes,	To amend an act to amend the Internal Improvement act..	225	479	486	
279	Meek,	Authorizing the election of a Magistrate in the town of Dandridge	226	370	378	
280	Cox,	To protect the lay members of all ecclesiastical denominations against the domination of the clergy.....	226	472	638	
281	"	To prescribe and limit the liabilities of Inn keepers in certain cases.....	226	472	639	
282	"	To prescribe the duty of the County Court of Davidson county in disposing of the sinking fund of said county created to pay railroad stock	226	479	641	
283	"	To incorporate the Synod of Nashville	227	479	599	
284	White,	To charter the Knoxville Bridge Company.....	227	479	640	790
285	Travis,	To allow R. R. Companies to increase their capital stock, and for other purposes.....	228	479	640	774
286	Dortch,	For the benefit of the Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company.....	228	479	529	709
287	R. H. Wood,	To extend the corporate limits of the town of Bolivar.....	228	480	603	601
288	Temple,	To exempt certain property from execution, and for other purposes	230	480	656	844 845 876
288½	Meek,	To charter the Strawberry Plains and Sevierville Turnpike Company.....	232	480	644	771
289	Massengill,	To furnish certain officers of Sullivan county with the acts of 1853-4, and copies of Caruthers and Nicholson, and Nicholson's Supplement....	237	485	644	

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290	Holmes,	To incorporate the Bluff City Building and Loan Association of Memphis.....	237	481	645	774
291	Cobb,	To authorize James Parks & Co., to build a bridge across Ocoee river at or near Parksville, in Polk county.....	237	485	598	846
292	Tipton,	To incorporate the Watauga Bridge Company, and for other purposes.....	237			
293	Watkins,	To regulate merchants taxes..	237	485		
294	Harris,	To charter the Jonesboro' Bank	239	485		
295	Newman,	To incorporate the Ritchie Printing and Publishing Company of the city of Nashville	246	388	396	522
296	Cavitt,	To incorporate the Tennessee and Columbus Railroad Company.....	246			
297	Kimble,	To repeal an act passed 21st day of February, 1852, entitled, an act to change the dividing line between the counties of Perry and De-catur	246	485	715	
298	Thomas,	To suppress the circulation of Bank notes of a less denomination than five dollars payable without the State.....	247			
299	Brien,	To change the line between the counties of Cannon and De-Kalb.....	253			
300	Holmes,	To amend the internal improvement law of this State, passed 8th Feb., 1854, and for other purposes	255	391	523	
301	Bartlett,	To secure public records.....	256	500		
302	Newman,	To elect the Comptroller of the Treasury by the people....	256			
303	Travis,	To purchase the Hermitage and to establish an Agricultural and Military School.....	256	458	520	657
304	Fielder,	Making an appropriation for the improvement of the navigation of the Forked Deer river	256			
305	Colquett,	To amend an act, entitled an act to charter the South Western Railroad Company, and for other purposes, passed 31st January, 1852.....	262	365	391	513
306	Ward,	To provide for the election of a justice of the peace in the town of Rome.....	162	700	715	
307	E. A. Wilson,	Requiring justices to close trust deeds and make settlement.	262	546	715	
308	Pogue,	To amend an act, entitled an act to amend the Revenue laws of this State.....	262	500		

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309	Holmes,	To amend the Revenue laws of this State.....	262			
310	Welcker,	To amend the charter of the South Carolina, Tennessee and Kentucky Railroad Co..	263	502	716	897
311	Pope,	To repeal an act to establish a system of common schools in this State passed 28th Feb., 1854.....	263			
312	Ball,	To amend the small offence law	263			
313	Ward,	To amend an act, entitled an act for the benefit of the wives and widows of the soldiers of the Mexican war.....	263	597	716	
314	Smith,	To regulate the rate of interest on specific contracts.....	264	597		
315	White,	For the relief of Francis W. Strickland.....	265			
316	Temple,	To incorporate the Agents of the Methodist Book Concern South.....	266	503	738	
317	Kimble,	To authorize another civil district in Decatur county.....	268	398	669	775
318	Tomkins,	For the benefit of sureties and endorsers.....	269	503	717	
319	Newman,	To change the office of State Librarian.....	269			
320	Looney,	To amend the charter of the Tennessee and Alabama Railroad Company.....	270	409	647	
321	Colquett,	Authorizing the trustee of Overton county to pay out certain school funds, originating from the sale of lands, &c.....	270	504		
322	Dunnington,	To amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Porter Fire Arms Company, passed 20th Feb., 1854.....	270	409	481	
323	Ball,	Authorizing tax collectors to make titles to land by them sold for taxes.....	271	504	717	
324	Cook,	To establish a system of patrols.....	277	504	725	820
325	Cox,	For the benefit of turnpike roads.....	278	504		
326	Gilbert,	To extend the corporation limits of the town of Camden.....	278	505		
327	Galbreath,	To secure the completion of the Flynn's Lick and Granville Turnpike Road.....	278	505		
328	Hatton,	To amend the law in reference to the liability of Sheriffs...	278	509		
329	Hatton,	To amend the law in reference to appeals from Courts of Chancery in certain cases...	278	544		
330	Welcker,	To aid in constructing a Railroad from Chattanooga to the				

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331	Travis,	East Tenn. and Ga. R. R. in the direction of Knoxville..	282	511	530	
332	Davie,	To reorganize the judicial system of Tennessee, and to reform the code of practice...	283	545		
333	Pogue,	To amend and reduce into one the acts relating to the town of Clarksville.....	283	303	365	
334	Donelson,	Prescribing certain duties to be performed by the Register of the land office, and for other purposes	283	545		
335	Tipton,	To amend an act passed 21st Feb., 1852, ch. 154.....	283	545		
336	Bartlett,	To change the time of holding the Chancery Court of Elizabethton	284	365	380	691
337	Nixon,	To amend the charter of the Memphis and Sommerville Turnpike Company.....	284	545		
338	Holmes,	To transfer certain records, books and papers from the Secretary's office to the land office	288	545		
339	Wallace,	To charter the Memphis and Germantown Turnpike Co...	289	545		
340	Watkins,	To establish a Chancery Court at Clinton, in Anderson Co...	289	545		
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66	To incorporate the Jackson Building and Loan Association company.....	563	669	694	
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68	" " " " " " and for other purposes.....	583	764	810	846
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74	To empower constables to swear jurors of view	279	291	666	
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77	To amend the charter of the United Firemen's Insurance company of Nashville, passed the 25th February, 1852.....	363	770	810	876
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89	To amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate Hiwassee College, passed Jan. 20, 1850.	363	397	409	
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98	To provide for the payment of certain State Bonds	364	531	764	777 846
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100	To provide a remedy in favor of private individuals against the State of Tennessee...	584	770	854	878
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104	To charter the Tennessee Marble, Mining and Manufacturing Company.....	522	589	805	
105	To economise the contingent expenses of the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee	585	770	861	
106	To amend the charter of the Knoxville and Kentucky Railroad Company.....	585	770	794	805
108	To provide permanent burial grounds for the dead in each civil district in this State....	585			
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110	To authorize and regulate the pay of the Messenger of the Senate.....	697	780		
113	To increase the powers of Circuit and County Court Clerks.....	585	780	861	
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"	"	709,			"Bill 290, To amend the charter of the Knoxville and Charleston Railroad Company, and for other purposes."					
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